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THE GENERAL STRIKE

BREAKDOWN OF FINAL NEGOTIATIONS

SUNDAY'S ABORTIVE CONFERENCES.

It is officially announced in London that the latest negotiations to avert a general strike throughout the country, in sympathy with the coal miners, have been broken off. A Reuter's message to this effect has been received this morning, thus dissipating the hopes that a last-hour adjustment might be effected.

The Government regards certain acts and instructions by the Trade Union Executive as a challenge to constitutional rights and the freedom of the nation, and before continuing the negotiations it requires the unconditional withdrawal of the instructions for a general strike.

London, May 2.

The Daily Mail is not publishing to-morrow (Monday) owing to a strike of printers, who objected to a leading article condemning the general strike.

The Editor of the Mail refused to alter the article.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT PROTECTION.

Later. The Home Secretary issued a notification late last night stating that the country must be prepared for a general strike to-morrow.

The Government is taking all possible steps to maintain the supply of food, fuel and light, to ensure the protection to all engaged in these industries and the preservation of law and order.

Recruiting stations for volunteers will be opened to-day.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT'S FIRM STAND.

Later. An official statement issued from No. 10, Downing Street at one o'clock in the morning says:—

"The following decision by His Majesty's Government has been conveyed to-night to Mr. Pugh, Chairman of the Trade Union Congress Committee.—The Government believe no solution of the difficulties of the coal industry which is both practicable and honourable to all concerned, can be reached except by sincere acceptance of the Report of the Commission. In the expression 'acceptance of the Report' is included both the reorganisation of the industry, which should be put in hand immediately, and, pending the results of the reorganisation being attained, such interim adjustment of wages or hours of work as will make it economically possible to carry on the industry in the meantime.

"If the miners, or the Trade Union Committee on their behalf, were prepared to say plainly that they would accept this proposal, the Government would have been ready to resume negotiations and continue the subsidy for a fortnight, but since the discussions which have occurred between Ministers and members of the Trade Union Committee, it has come to the knowledge of the Government not only that specific instructions have been sent, under the authority of the Executives of the Trade Unions represented at the conference convened by the General Council of the Trade Union Congress, asking their members in several of the most vital industries and services of the country to carry out a general strike on Tuesday next, but that overt acts have already occurred, including gross interference with the freedom of the Press, such action involves a challenge to constitutional rights and the freedom of the nation.

"His Majesty's Government, therefore, before it can continue the negotiations, must require from the Trade Union Committee both the repudiation of the actions referred to that have already occurred and an immediate and unconditional withdrawal of the instructions for a general strike."—Reuter.

"WAR DECLARED."

"War has been declared" was the statement made by Mr. J. H. Thomas to Pressmen after the breaking off of the negotiations. It is learned that the Government's preliminary arrangements for the distribution of supplies are

already operating. It is stated on behalf of the Government that the food conditions are normal and that there is no need for anxiety on the part of the public, and still less anything in the nature of a panic, if they loyally carry out the Government regulations with regard to food, coal, petrol and other essential supplies and do not indulge in hoarding. Their comfort and convenience will be safeguarded and in the event of the newspapers ceasing publication, the Government will keep the public informed by means of wireless and bulletins posted at Town Halls and Post Offices.—Reuter.

EARLIER REPORTS.

London, May 2. The usual Sunday calm was varied by a succession of meetings of political and labour leaders, striving to effect a settlement.

In the morning a ninety-minute Cabinet council was held, and meanwhile the General Council of the Trades Union Congress was sitting at its headquarters.

The significant announcement was made that the Miners' Executive had been telegraphically recalled from the districts.—Reuter.

A BASIS FOR NEGOTIATION.

Later. The Cabinet sat from five to seven o'clock in the evening when it summoned the Trades Union Council negotiating committee.

This development is held to indicate that a basis for negotiation has been found. The ponderous machinery in connection with the strike is gradually gaining momentum. Food Commissioners have arrived at their posts and the National Union of Railwaymen have formulated regulations for running the milk trains. The Railway Companies have received notices terminating employment to-morrow.—Reuter.

TRADES UNIONS' STIPULATION.

London, May 2. The General Council of the Trade Union Congress has issued a manifesto declaring, *inter alia*, that even now an honourable settlement can be reached, but the Government's demand that the miners' leaders should consent in advance of negotiation to a reduction of wages must be withdrawn. The notices also must be withdrawn, to allow the negotiations to proceed without the issue being prejudged. It concludes that there is no shadow of reason why the miners should be locked out, or the grave decision for a stoppage be allowed to take effect. If it does, then the responsibility will lie with the Government and the owners.—Reuter.

A HOPEFUL DEVELOPMENT.

Rugby, May 2. What is regarded as a hopeful development in the Labour crisis took place late last night when the negotiating committee of the Trades Union Congress visited the Premier. Mr. Baldwin was accompanied by several members of the Cabinet. It is understood that in the course of the meeting, a statement was made by the representatives of the Trades Union Congress to the effect that a conclusion of negotiations were in immediate prospect when the general strike was due to begin at midnight on Monday. The meeting, which lasted five hours, adjourned at 1.20 this morning.

An official statement, issued from No. 10, Downing Street, before the meeting, stated that the Premier has received a letter from (Continued on Page 6.)

SPANISH FLIER REACHES MACAO.

MACHINE DAMAGED WHEN LANDING.

NO NEWS OF COMPANION.

The two Spanish aviators, Capt. Gallarza and Capt. Loriga, who are flying from Madrid to Manila, left Hanoi on Saturday at 7 a.m., and the former arrived at Macao at about 5.30 p.m.

It was rather misty weather when Capt. Gallarza arrived. He landed at 5.30 p.m. Unfortunately, the aviator misunderstood certain marks on the landing field, and on coming to earth he was compelled to swerve in order to avoid the large crowd which had gathered to give him a welcome. In doing so, his machine ran into some trees, the wings being caught therein and slightly damaged.

A message to hand last evening stated that the repairs to the machine will take some little time and that there is a possibility that Capt. Gallarza may not continue the flight. However, that will all depend on the final overhauling of the machine.

Amongst those present to welcome the aviator, who was accompanied by a mechanic, were His Excellency the Governor and many officials, as well as Senhor Arsenio Luz, the Director of the Manila Carnival, and Senhor C. P. Romulo, editor of the Manila Tribune, who had journeyed to Macao to extend advance greetings to the aviators.

Considerable disappointment was expressed at the non-arrival of Captain Loriga, of whom no news had been received in Macao up to 5.30 last evening.

In the meantime, the festivities arranged in honour of the fliers have been postponed in order to await the arrival of Captain Loriga.

Up to the time of going to press, no news has come to hand of Capt. Loriga's whereabouts.

A telegram from Macao, despatched at 1.20 p.m. to-day, says that so far there have been no replies to the messages distributed with a view to discovering where Captain Loriga is.

MANILA GREETINGS.

Three United States Army planes, equipped with wireless, left Camp Nichols last week for Aparri, where they will await the arrival of Captains Loriga and Gallarza, Madrid-to-Manila, fliers.

The planes are of the latest type in use by the aviation corps in the Philippines. They are piloted by First Lieutenant Paul L. Williams, Corregidor; First Lieutenant Stanley M. Umstead, Corregidor, and First Lieutenant Harry H. Mills, Camp Stotsenburg.

STRANDED GERMAN.

CAME IN SEARCH OF ADVENTURE.

Stated to have come to the Colony in search of adventure, a naturalised German, named Brown Parkinson, was charged before Major C. Willson, at the Central Police Court this morning, with being in Hongkong without employment or visible means of support.

In reply to the Magistrate, the defendant said he came as a seaman from New Guinea, having been told he would be able to find a round-the-world ship at Hongkong. He had been a seaman, but for most of his time he had been a planter.

Sergt. Ellison said the defendant arrived in December, 1924, in search of adventure, and he had had a lot of trouble. He was in debt, and the Consul had refused to recognise him. The defendant was sent to the House of Detention.

CAMPAIGN FUNDS

CANTON'S PROPOSED EXPEDITION.

SEARCH FOR MONEY

According to a Canton report, owing to the urgency of launching the Northern campaign, especially in giving assistance to Hunan—which, as previously reported, is being attacked from five directions by the forces of Wu Pei-fu—and being unable to obtain sufficient funds with which to begin military operations, it is the intention of the Government to revive the farming out of Fan-tan and lottery monopolies, and to devote the revenue thus secured to the Northern expedition.

It is stated that the decision to farm out the monopoly to operate the Pak Kip Lottery in the Heungshan district is a test case. Heungshan is now considered as the first district of the province of Kwangtung, and special regard for the public sentiment and feelings of the people of this district has in the past been shown by the Government. But the people have now come out with a strong protest, which has made the situation rather awkward for the Government Treasurer, who had expected the public to acquiesce in the monopoly. To press the matter now would give an opportunity to the anti-corruptionists to incite the students to make the position of the Treasurer untenable. There is already a rumour in circulation that Yu Fei-pang, ex-Treasurer of the Chao-Mei Circuit, who was recalled by General Chang Kai-shek for service in Canton, is designated as the prospective Government Treasurer. It is possible that the Government will make another test, by taking strong measures against the agitators, to ascertain the real strength of public sentiment against gambling, as the Government has no other means of raising revenue which can reach anywhere near the figure offered by gambling monopolies.

A Canton vernacular paper states that according to telegrams, Wu Pei-fu is despatching 30,000 troops to assist Ya Kai-chin against Tang Shang-chi in Hunan and has appointed Ya Kai-chin Commander-in-Chief of the punitive expedition against the "Reds" in Hunan. It is said that fighting has already occurred at Peh-lohsien and Pingkianghsien. Another report states that Ya Kai-chin has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces with Tang Yu-wu and Tsea Ming-ping as Commanders of the Left and Right Flanks.

The same paper says that if Wu Pei-fu were to succeed in the North, he would soon turn his weapon against the South to fight the Canton Government, who are friendly with the Kuomintang Army. The journal adds that if Tunnan co-operates with the Canton Government, it will be an obstacle to the Northern militarists. "There is no reason," says this paper, "why Hunan should again fall into the hands of the Militarists like Wu Pei-fu. But how are the citizens of Hunan to struggle with the Northern militarists? The only thing they can do is to organise themselves under the flag of the Kuomintang and back Tang Shang-chi to fight Wu Pei-fu."

PARIS TRAGEDY.

EX-AMBASSADOR'S WIFE MURDERED.

Paris, May 2. Madame Regnault, wife of the ex-ambassador to Tokyo, has been discovered murdered in her flat, apparently by a burglar.

The cook, entering her mistress's bedroom, found it in chaos, with furniture lying broken about the floor. Madame Regnault's body was in a corridor, apparently shot in the head. Her husband was not in the flat. The case was put

MORO REBELS CAUSE TROUBLE.

FIRE AT GOVERNOR JOHNSON AND PARTY.

SHOTS EXCHANGED.

According to a message from Davao, Lanao, to the Manila Bulletin, the constabulary and the Moro rebels of Tugaya exchanged shots while Colonel Stevens, district commander for Mindanao, and Governor Johnson were on their way with some soldiers to Ganassi aboard the launch of the Bureau of Education.

The rebels fired a rain of shots at the Government party and Colonel Stevens ordered the constabulary to return fire. Again upon the return of the party from Tugaya the rebels renewed their attack. The previous day the rebels fired with their biggest cannon at the Government launch General Blanco.

The outlaw leaders, Sultan Dimasankay, Sultan sa Bolsan and Sultan sa Pendulunan, have sent Datu Benito to the Provincial Governor with the information that they want to make peace, but that they also want previously to meet the Governor unarmed at Kalawi so that they may be free to explain all their grievances.

DRUNKEN U. S. SEAMAN.

SEQUEL TO WANCHAI HOUSE ROW.

A short time ago an American seaman was arrested for causing damage to a Japanese house at Wanchai, but he was turned over to an escort from his ship, which left before the case was heard. The ship has since returned, and seaman, James Brown, of the U.S. S. Helena, was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, with causing wilful damage to the extent of \$100.

The defendant pleaded that he was drunk at the time, and did not know what he was doing. He remembered going into the house. Inspector Ogg explained that considerable damage had been done to the place, and several flower pots were thrown over a verandah. Remarking that drunkenness was no excuse, Mr. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$10, and ordered \$30 to be paid as compensation for the damage.

JAPANESE CHARGED.

ALLEGED HIGHWAY ROBBERY AND SNATCHING.

The Japanese, who is alleged to have committed highway robbery, and snatched a handbag, as reported in the Telegraph on Saturday, was brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning at the Central Magistracy, when Inspector P. Grant asked for a commitment to the Sessions on both charges. The charges were that the defendant, armed with an offensive weapon, a knife, did assault Lo Fan, and steal \$150 in money, and did steal a handbag from Leung Sen-chun in Queen's Road West on April 23rd. The bag contained one five-dollar note, a cigarette case, a powder box, and two Chinese books.

The defendant admitted both charges, and the case was put

DEFENCE CALLS EXPERT.

HANDWRITING TESTIMONY IN WING ON CASE.

OLD FRIEND OF ACCUSED.

An exhaustive enquiry into the individual characteristics of Chinese penmanship occupies practically the whole of this morning's hearing of the case in which Au Kim-lui and Lam Pook-chu are charged with conspiracy to defraud the banking department of the Wing On Company of \$50,000. Mr. Jenkin, cross-examining the expert called on behalf of the defence, took him stroke by stroke through the differences in certain characters which he alleged were forgeries.

Witness admitted also that he had known the first prisoner for several years.

The defence to-day introduced as one of their witnesses a Peking official, who, by virtue of holding the Chinese equivalent of an M. A. degree, spoke at some length on the merits or demerits of characters recurring in the exhibits produced in the case. Having obtained from witness the admission that he had met and seen the first defendant in Peking during a period material to the case, Mr. F. C. Jenkin (for the prosecution) set out to assail his testimony by a somewhat bewildering array of specimen characters, and otherwise. For his purposes, counsel proceeded to analyse, dissect and reduce the material characters into infinitesimal fractions, inviting the witness to use a magnifying glass if it would help him in the course of the cross-examination.

NEW EXHIBITS.

In pursuance of an intimation when the Court rose from its last sitting, Au Kim-lui was recalled at the resumption of this morning and re-examined by his counsel, Mr. Easley Zeitlyn. *Inter alia* a new series of exhibits, marked H-1, 2 and 3, came into the case as being documents belonging to the defendant, which he said he had set aside as a record for the purposes of his case. This was to show that the Kwong Cheung Bank was a bona-fide concern which was going to launch and for which genuine preparations had been made before the refusal of the Wing On Bank to pay on the deposit book presented. As to the characters *Tung Ah seung leong* (occurring in the first of these exhibit and meaning in their proper order: "East Asia, had conversation"), Au Kim-lui explained that it was a note of a conversation or discussion he had with the Bank of East Asia, where one of his private accounts was kept.

In the counterfoil retained of No. 14 of the receipts, contained in the same exhibit, appeared the entry:—"Hereby received from Hang Kee the exact sum of \$5,000 in Hongkong notes, for share subscriptions, dated the 11th day of June, 1923." This meant, witness explained, that after he had deposited the \$50,000 with the Wing On Bank, he still received a further subscription for his new Kwong Cheung banking enterprise.

The usual rates of 2½ and 4 per cent for current and savings accounts respectively, were received by him from the three banks where he kept those monies belonging to him and the Kwong Cheung firm. The Wing On Bank, however, paid more interest.

He had sole charge of the Kwong Cheung monies, and he alone was empowered to operate these accounts. In the Exhibit A. F. moreover, his name was set out in black and the name of the Kwong Cheung in red.

It was not possible after the 14th August, 1923, when the Wing On Bank refused to return the \$50,000, to carry on the business of the Kwong Cheung, since the release of this money was essential to its operations.

While closed the re-examination, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin did not put any cross-examining questions.

EXPERT WITNESS CALLED.

The next witness called by the defence was his

Cabinet, and holding the degree of Kui Yan which is the Chinese equivalent of the M.A.

In reply to Mr. Zeitlyn he said that he had made a study of Chinese handwriting, and was shown the label of "Emma" and also "Nina."

Comparing the handwriting on the two exhibits, he pronounced the handwriting, in both cases to be done by the same hand, giving the opinion that the characters were "smoothly written and without hesitancy."

WITNESS AND HONGKONG.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin then rose to cross-examine. Counsel's first question was with regard to the dates and occasions when witness was in Hongkong. Was witness here this year? And was he here the year before last, too? Counsel called for specific dates.

Witness replied that he was frequently in Hongkong, eluding to student days, and when not otherwise engaged in his studies in Peking, he spent most of his time in Hongkong on vacation.

Mr. Jenkin:—Were you in Peking in the 10th moon of the 15th year of the Chinese Republic, i.e. last year?—Yes. My address in Peking was No. 5, Hi-Cheuk Wung, East City.

SAW AU IN PEKING.

Will your Lordship glance at exhibit F. The first prisoner was staying with you there?—No, he was not.

You can swear to that?—Yes. Was he staying in the same house?—No.

Did you ever see him in Peking in that moon?—I saw him, but I don't know what he was there for.

Is this address your own house? Witness replied that was the house set apart for the three or four employees of the Department of the Deputy Commissioner for Finance, of whom he was one.

Did you ever see the first prisoner at that house?—Yes, I did.

Several times?—Yes; several times.

In fact you have known him some years?—Yes.

You saw him often in Hongkong?—Sometimes, that is to say in friends' places, but not always.

Counsel successively and specifically put to witness a number of addresses and asked witness if he had ever met the defendant at any of these. To all of these witness categorically replied in the negative.

NO BUSINESS TALK.

Do you know any address at which you have seen him?—At the Bank of Communications when I entered, and that was the only place where I have seen him in Hongkong. He did not tell me he thought of starting a bank, nor was there any other question of lending me \$20,000.

Mr. Jenkin next referred witness to the first of the series of H. Exhibits, and asked witness if the name "Leong Kwan" noted therein as a subscriber to the first defendant's banking scheme, had any reference to witness.

Regarding this, there were, so many Leongs about, witness joined that he had nothing whatever to do with that name.

Having obtained from witness the reply that Canton was witness

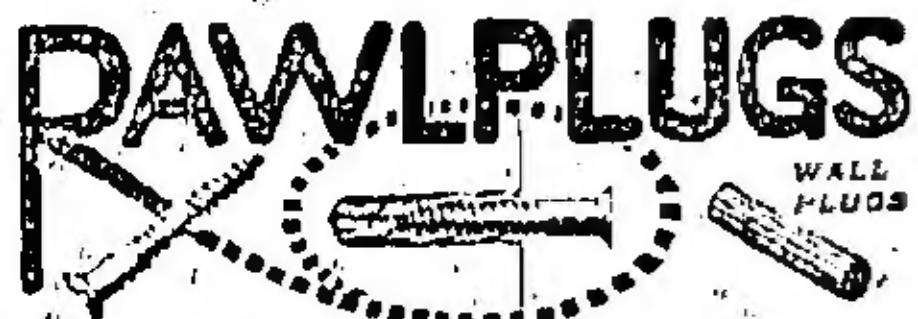


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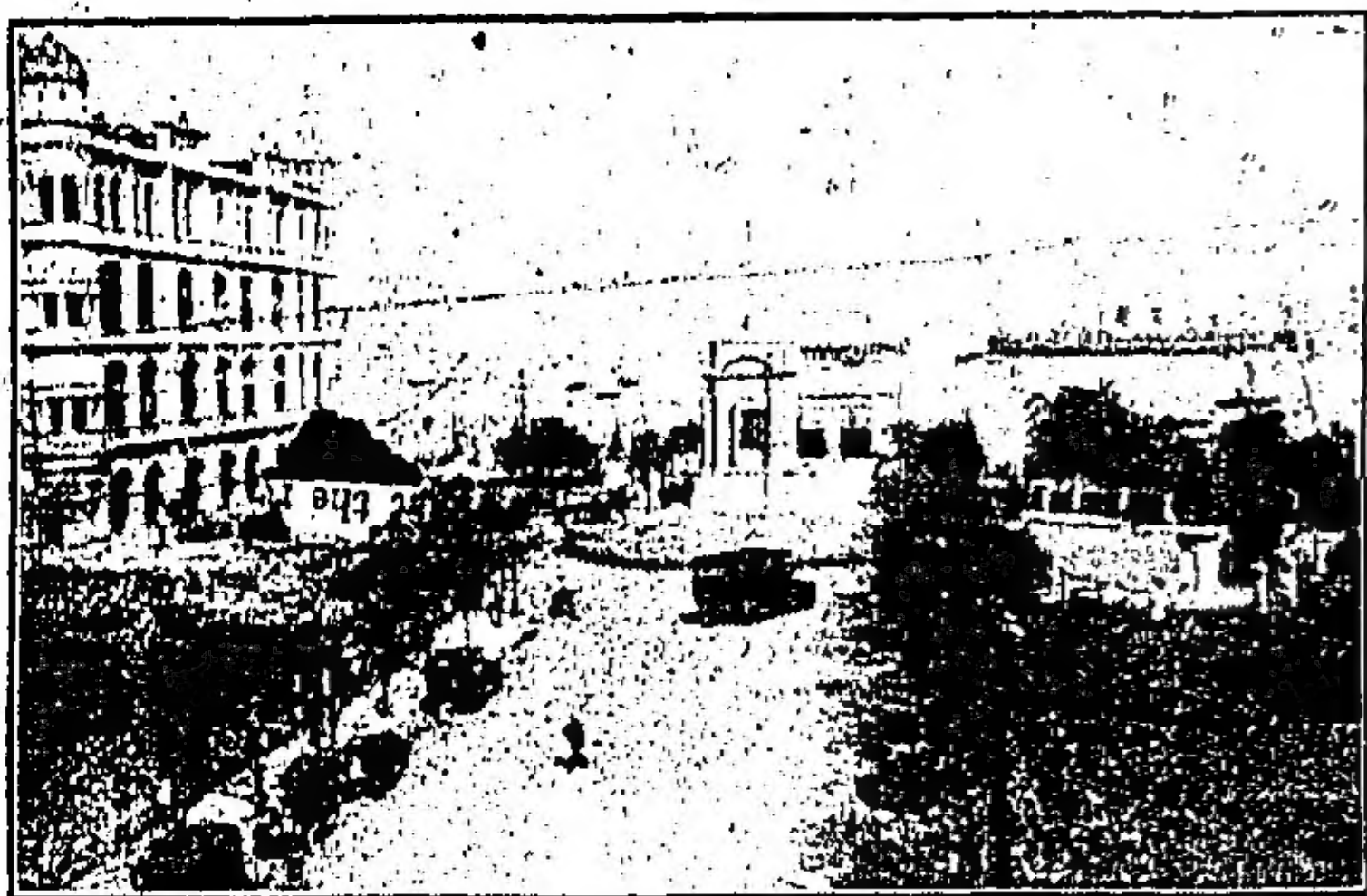
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There was quite a large attendance at the second extra race meeting held at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon.

Some extremely good racing was seen, there were larger fields than at the first extra meeting, and it was a day on which favourites won. There were two falls, Mr. Nemaze and Mr. Ralphs being thrown, but neither were hurt.

The following were the results:

Results:
1.—Colonial Stakes: six furlongs. For griffins of this season—non-winners—start in at least one race in Hongkong since January 1, 1926. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins allowed 7 lbs. Jockey allowance. Entrance fee \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100. Sir Paul's Melody Dahlia, (Mr. Brodie) 1. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Recha, (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 2. Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's Boston, (Mr. Stanton) 3. Also ran, Fireworks (Mr. Gordon), District Call (Mr. Davey), Scorched Primrose (Mr. Sugden) and Invader (Mr. Ralph). Time: 1.36.2/5. A neck; a length.

Parimutuel:
Winner \$5.90
Place 1st 5.70
2nd 5.10
3rd 4.90
Cash Sweep—No. 5 \$1,318.10
296 376.60
751 183.30
Unplaced Nos.: 320, 212, 29, 393.

2.—Commonwealth Handicap: six furlongs. For China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100. Mr. R. M. Austin's Home Call, (Mr. Davey) 1. Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gobbler (late Bendorar), (Mr. Ralph) 1 1/2. Mrs. R. J. Paterson's The Regent, (Mr. Brodie) 1 1/2. Also ran, Rothesay (Lieut.-Com. Thompson), Daisy Dublin (Mr. Nemaze), Arabian Parrot (Mr. Reidy), Bay of Bellingham (Mr. Stanton). Time: 1.32. 3 dead heat; 1 1/2 lengths.

Parimutuel:
W. (The Gobbler) \$5.70
(Home Call) 7.30
P. 1st (The Gobbler) 5.80
1st (Home Call) 6.40
3rd 8.70
Cash Sweep—No. 2 \$1,609.35
311 294.20
Unplaced Nos.: 290, 307, 546, 263.

3.—Polo Pony Scurry: three furlongs. For ponies of the committee of the Hongkong Polo Club. To be ridden by playing members of the Hongkong Polo Club. Winners of any polo-pony scurry barred. Catch weights 168 lbs. Post entries. Entrance fee \$3. 1st prize: \$200. 2nd prize: \$100. 3rd prize: \$50. Conquistador, (Mr. Reidy) 1. Blue Monday, (Mr. Stanton) 1 1/2. Mark II, (Major Bennett) 1 1/2. Also ran, Racehorse (Capt. Sturges), Dragon Rider (Mr. Edie), Black Mouse (Lt. Maude), Shot III (Mr. Sugden), Too Mai (Mr. Peterson), Xmas Eve (Mr. Cobbold), Pegasus (Capt. Howard), Hailsham (Mr. Kendall). Time: 46.3/5. 3/4 length; 1/2 length.

Parimutuel:
Winner \$351.00
Place 1st 52.30
2nd 45.00
3rd 42.80
Cash Sweep—No. 532 \$1,587.60
91 454.60
144 228.60
Unplaced Nos.: 522, 26, 306, 453, 324, 286, 397, 440.

4.—Second Aggregate Stakes: one mile. Value \$500. For all China ponies. Catch weights at 10' at 9 lbs. Winners of an open race or open griffin race value \$600 or over or ponies that have won the aggregate prize in the Aggregate Stakes in any season 5 lbs. extra. Non-winning subscription griffins allowed 5 lbs. Messrs. Hall and Shenton's Saligia, (Mr. Doyle) 1. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Total Abstinence, (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 2. Mr. W. T. Stanton's Blue Grass, (owner) 3.

SIR ARTHUR YAPP IN HONGKONG.

ADDRESS AT EUROPEAN Y. M. C. A.

There was an enthusiastic gathering of European Y. M. C. A. members at Kowloon on Saturday night when Sir Arthur Yapp, National Secretary of the English Y. M. C. A., gave a stirring address. Sir Arthur, who is on a tour, arrived in Hongkong on Saturday, and in the course of the day, visited the Chinese Y. M. C. A. and also spoke at the European Y. M. C. A.

Sir Arthur described the headquarters of the Y. M. C. A. at Kowloon as by far and away the finest building he had seen in the course of his tour in the East.

He also said that he was glad to hear the building was already proving too small, and that it was hoped to proceed with the complete building scheme which was in the minds of the organisers, in the near future.

Sir Arthur and Mr. Ponsford left Hongkong yesterday, their next port of call being Shanghai.

Also ran, Saracen, (Mr. Ralph). Time: 2.09.1/5. 2 lengths; many lengths.

Parimutuel:
Winner \$6.20
Place 1st 5.10
2nd 5.10
Cash Sweep—No. 708 \$3,785.60
412 1,081.60
394 540.60
Unplaced No. (\$100): 144.

5.—Dominion Plate: (about 1 mile, 165 yards). For China ponies, winners only. (W.I.) Winners of two races this year 5 lbs. extra of three or more races 10 lbs. extra (C.A.) Entrance fee \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100. Mr. R. M. Austin's Brigade Call, (Mr. Davey) 1. Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's San Diego, (Mr. Stanton) 2. Lady Chatter's Sandpiper, (Mr. Nemaze) 3. Also ran, September, (Mr. Brodie). Time: 2.20.3/5. 1 1/2 lengths; a length.

Parimutuel:
Winner \$34.10
Place 1st 6.80
2nd 5.30
Cash Sweep—No. 2 \$1,116.00
293 305.50
Unplaced No. 385.

6.—Commonwealth Handicap: 7 furlongs. For China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100. Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gezer, (Mr. Doyle) 1. Captain R. G. Sturges's Reynolds, (owner) 2. Mrs. Bernard's Barley, (Mr. Brodie) 3. Also ran, Green Streak (Mr. Davey), Tutix (Mr. Cobbold), Blotting Paper (Lt. Com. Thompson), Golden Phoenix (Mr. Nemaze), Cambray (Mr. Sewell), Boldorney Star (Mr. Stanton) and Foily (Mr. Ralph). Time: 1.35.2/5. 6 lengths; 1/4 length.

Parimutuel:
Winner \$7.90
Place 1st 6.70
2nd 13.20
3rd 23.10
Cash Sweep—No. 249 \$1,775.86
215 506.80
181 223.40
Unplaced Nos.: 342, 302, 270, 615, 209, 165, 175.

7.—Empire Handicap: One and a quarter miles. For China ponies. Entrance fee \$5. 1st prize: \$450. 2nd prize: \$200. 3rd prize: \$100. Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Dabbs, (Mr. Brodie) 1. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Rannoch, (Mr. Reidy) 2. Mrs. G. L. Bagram's Sunburst Rose, (Mr. Nemaze) 3. Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Hawk, 143 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 0. Time: 2.42.3/5. 3 lengths; a neck.

Parimutuel:
Winner \$5.50
Place 1st 5.40
2nd 7.00
Cash Sweep—No. 274 \$2,009.00
250 574.06
180 287.00
Unplaced Nos.: 206, 377.

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PEACE CONFERENCE REACHES A DEADLOCK.

Ujda, May 2. The Riff delegates are returning to Rif by sea to consult Abd-el-Krim in regard to documents handed to them by General Simon in behalf of the Franco-Spanish delegates. The latter informed the Riff delegates that if the Franco-Spanish conditions were not accepted and all prisoners held by the Rifians were not handed over by the 6th, the two governments would resume entire liberty of action on the 7th. —Reuter.

THE RUBBER INDUSTRY.

GREATER STABILITY IN PRICE FORESEEN.

London, May 1. Presiding at the annual meeting of the Rubber Growers' Association, Mr. Campbell said that he was hopeful that if, as it seemed probable, they saw in the future some collaboration among the producers in making their produce, they might arrive at a greater stability of price than has been possible in the past. —Reuter.

CHEUNG CHOW SCHOOL.

SUCCESSFUL SPORTS ON SATURDAY.

The annual sports of the Cheung Chow Government school were held on Saturday and students from schools in Hongkong, Kowloon and district assembled on the island to compete in friendly rivalry. The grounds were prettily decorated with flags and the event attracted a number of spectators.

The students from Hongkong were accompanied on the "Stanley" by Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, Mr. E. Ralphs and Mr. G. P. de Martin, Inspectors of Schools, and Prof. W. Hinton.

A very pleasant day was spent and at the conclusion Mrs. C. G. Alabaster presented the prizes to successful competitors.

Before the prize presentation, Mr. Ralphs said that this was the first time that the Director of Education had honoured the sports with his presence. He thanked him, on behalf of the organisers, for his presence, also Mr. and Mrs. Alabaster.

After the prize distribution Mr. Alabaster, on behalf of Mrs. Alabaster, thanked the Sports Committee for the honour they had done her in asking her to present the prizes for the fourth time since her return from England. There had been great development and improvement in the sports since the first occasion and he was glad of it as athletics were an essential part of education. He was glad to see many girls present many of whom had won prizes that afternoon.

Mr. A. E. Wood spoke with appreciation of the work of Mr. Lam Puk-to, the headmaster, in organising the day's events and thanked Mr. and Mrs. Alabaster and the Kai-fong for their assistance and generosity in contributing to the sports fund.

Hearty cheers were given to the Director of Education, Mr. E. Ralphs, the Kai-fong, Mr. and Mrs. Alabaster, the visitors and the headmaster.

A bouquet was presented to Mrs. Alabaster on behalf of the School.

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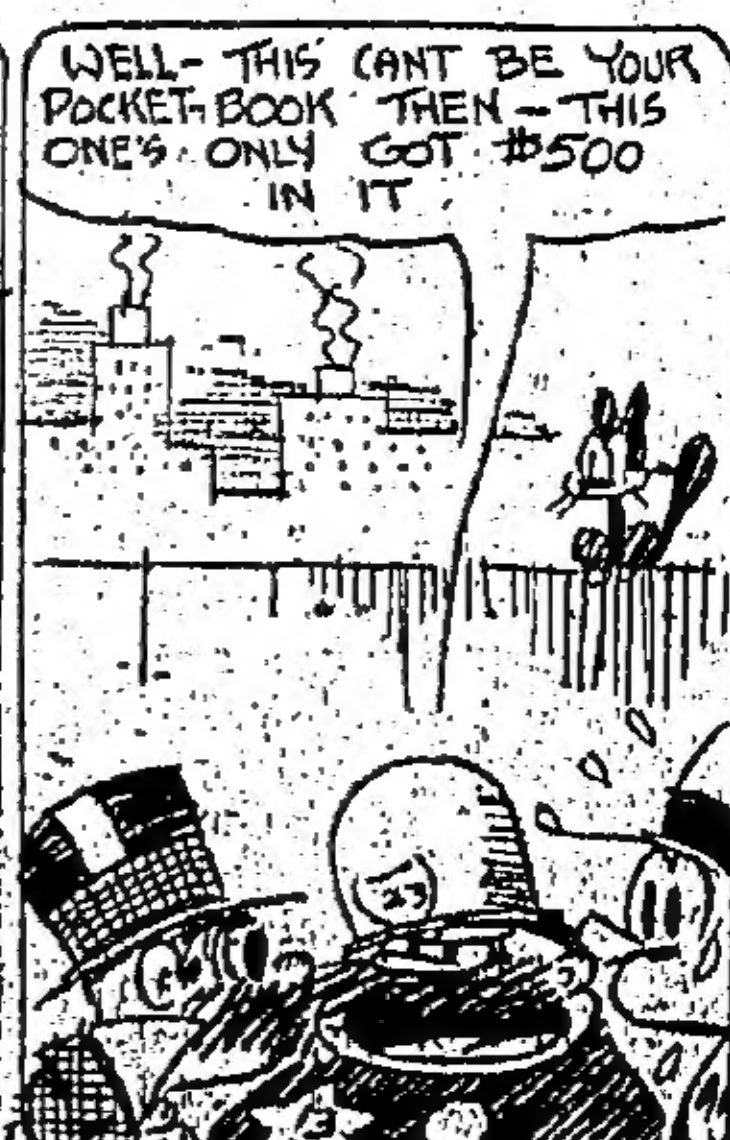
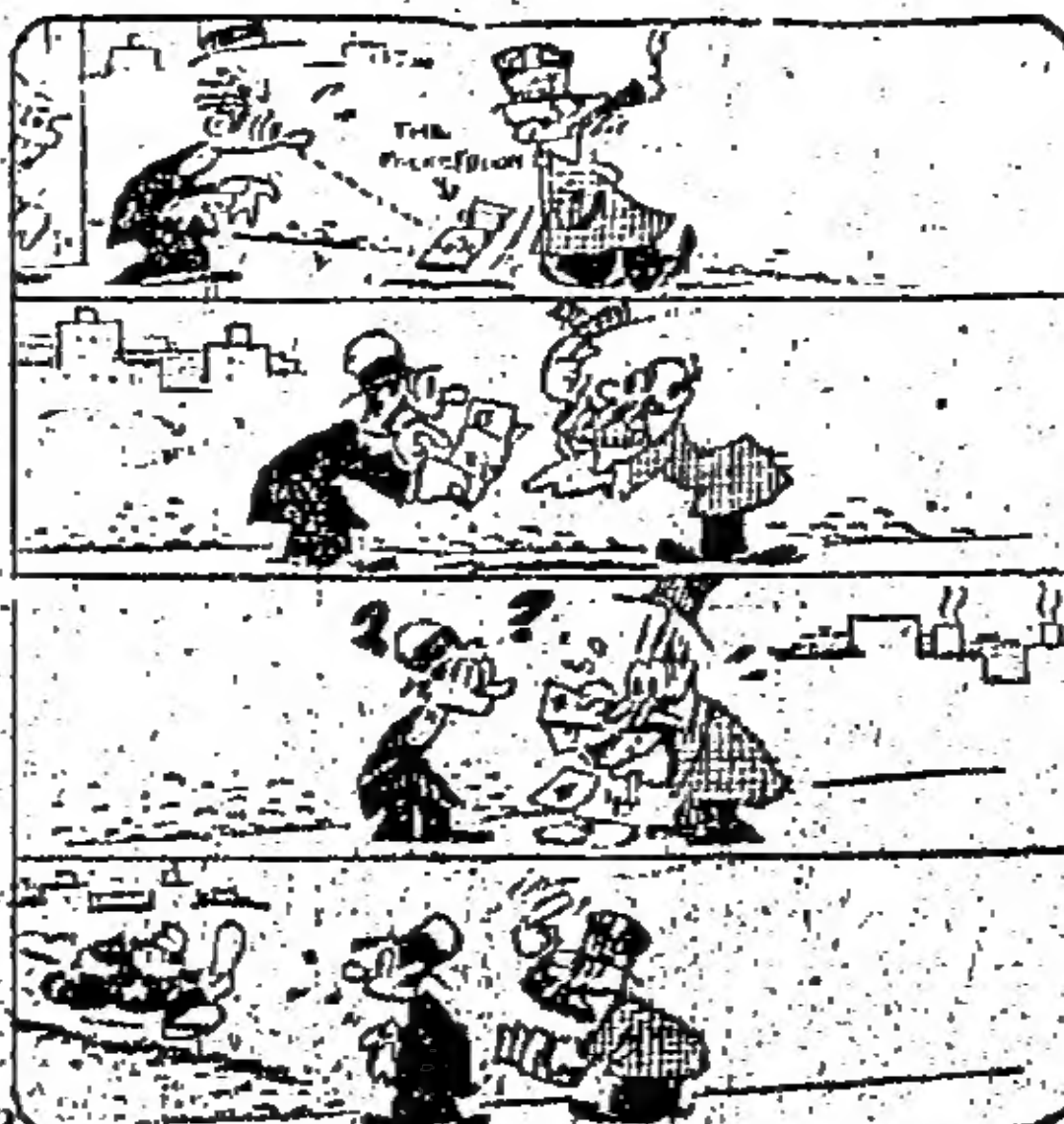
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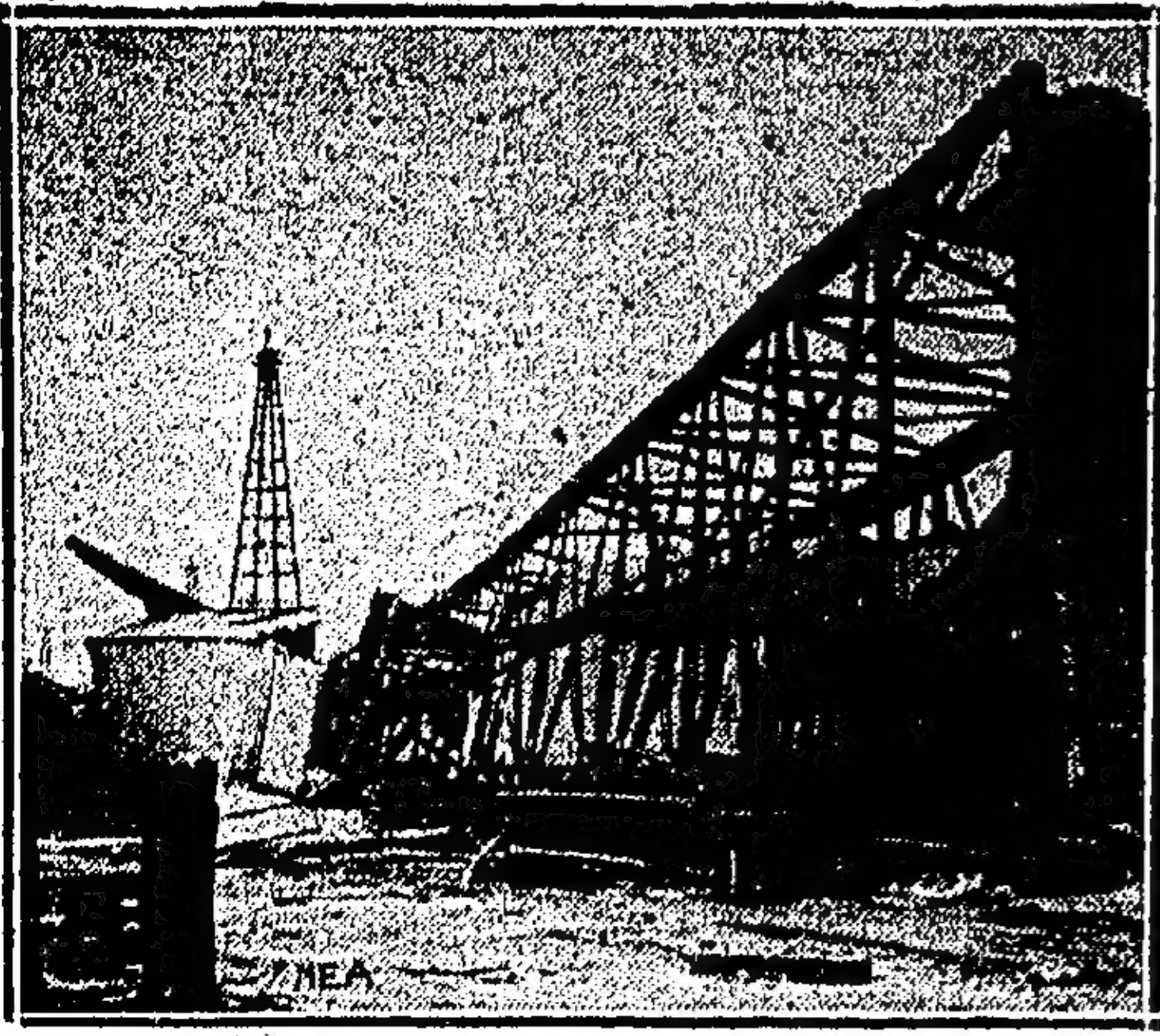
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TORNADO DAMAGE.—One man lost his life, eight more were hurt and 100 oil derricks were knocked over when a tornado struck the oil fields near Orange, Texas. Photo shows a view of part of the field after the disaster.



SEEKING FORTUNE.—This photo of Lady Marguerite Hyde, Countess of Suffolk, was taken in a Chicago courtroom where she appeared to press the case she and her titled sisters are bringing to have Joe Leiter, of Chicago, removed as trustee of their father's \$50,000,000 estate.



A NARROW ESCAPE.—A remarkable photograph of a "side slip" taken at the National Hunt Meeting at Gloucestershire, England.



RACES HORSES.—C. W. Hart, 62, is going to New York from England to race against two horses. He beat a horse in a race at the Crystal Palace.



A SHANGHAI DINNER.—The annual dinner of the Oxford and Cambridge Society at Shanghai was held on Saturday, April 3. In the absence of the President, Mr. Duncan McNeill, the chair was taken by the Very Rev. Dean Symons. The toast of Alma Mater was proposed by Lord Addington. Judge Peter Grain was the guest of the evening.



NORTH POLE FLIGHT.—Norwegians who will accompany Roald Amundsen on his projected airship flight across the North Pole are shown in this group. Left to right they are: Frederick Ramm, Oslo correspondent; Hjalmar Bliser-Larsen, second in command; O. Omdal, motorman; Captain Wisting; Col. Nobile, builder of the airship N-1, which will be used; Gustav Amundsen, nephew of the explorer; Y. Hover, and Reserve Motorman Haasen.



PRESENTATION TO MR. A. BROOKESMITH.—These silver figures, presented to Mr. A. Brooke-Smith by members of the Chinese and foreign staff of the Jardine Engineering Corporation prior to his departure from Shanghai.



CARTOON.—It's Vice-President Dawes, carved out of wood by a cartoonist.



A NATIVE CHURCH.—This is a picturesque church in the Tonga Islands. It is held together by thongs and withes.



FAREWELL DINNER TO MR. AND MRS. A. BROOKESMITH.—A farewell dinner was given at the Majestic Hotel on Friday, April 9, to Mr. A. Brooke-Smith, before leaving Shanghai, by Mr. and Mrs. Pan Tse-chun, son and daughter-in-law of Mr. Pan Ching-poo, chief compradors of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 12th to May 28th both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 3rd 1926.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY 1926, at 11.15 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the statements of Account to 31st December 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 12th to May 28th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 3rd 1926.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY 1926, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 12th to May 28th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 3rd 1926.

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Annual Dinner of the above Club will be held in the Kowloon Hotel on Saturday 8th May at 8.30 p.m. Tickets at \$3. per head (Exclusive of wines) can be obtained from the No. 1. Boy at the Club House.

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By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Manager.
Hongkong, May 1, 1926.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Forty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Tuesday, the 18th May, 1926, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1925.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 4th to the 18th May, 1926, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, April 27, 1926.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

A submarine cable will be laid in the Harbour Cable Reserve on Tuesday, the 4th May, at 10 a.m. (weather permitting) and ships are cautioned that, when passing cable laying craft, they should stop engines and proceed with the utmost caution.

HARBOUR MASTER.
Hongkong, May 1, 1926.

NOTICE.

We have this day authorised Mr. Harold Rupert Remington to sign the firm's name per procuration.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that as from 1st of May, 1926, the undersigned persons are no longer connected with the Chung Mei Garage Limited, and their responsibilities and liabilities cease as from date herein stated.

Signed:—
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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

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Chartered, £20 n.
Mercantile A. and B., £30 1/2 b.
P. and O., £21 n.
East Asia, \$85 n.

Marine Ins.
Canton Ins., \$635 b.
China Underwriters, \$1.90 b.
North China, Tls. 145 n.
Unions, \$287 b.
Yangtze, \$371 n.

Fire Ins.
China Firms, \$170 b.
Hongkong Fire, \$550 b.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$28 n.
Steamboats, \$26 s.
Tugs, \$21 s. a.

Indo-Chinas, \$38 n.
Shell Trans., \$7/6 b.
Star Forries, \$61 b.
Waterboats, \$15 n.
Oriental Nav., \$250 n.

Refineries.
China Sugars, \$26 n.
Malabons, \$34 b.

Mining.
Bonguets, \$1.50 n.
Kailans, 42/- b.
Langkats, Tls. 241 n.

Shai Explorations, Tls. 5.25 n.
Raubis, \$5.00 n.
Tromochs, 65/- n.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$128 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$60 s.
Hongkows, Tls. 175 b.

New Engineering, Tls. 5.85 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 107 b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$9.85 n.
H.K. Lands, \$631 n.

Realtys, \$6 n.
Territorials, \$5 s. a.
Humphreys, \$151 n.
Princes Bldgs, \$109 n.
Rural Lands, \$7 n.

Cottons.
Ewos, Tls. 10.35 s.
Orientals, Tls. 3.00 b.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 52 b.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$11 n.
Canton Ice, \$71 n.

Cements, \$151 b.
China Buses, Tls. 107 b.
China Lights, \$20 n.
China Prov., \$5.30 b.

Constructions, \$21 n.
Dairy Farms, \$20 n.
Der A. Wing, \$10 n.
Electrics, \$68 s. a.

Macao Electrics, \$40 n.
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EFFECT OF STRIKE AND BOYCOTT.

Signed by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, the annual report of the Missions to Seamen in Hongkong states:—Though the whole year in retrospect is overshadowed by the disturbing events which occurred during the latter half, and we are inclined to think of 1925 almost entirely in the terms of "Strike and Boycott," we must not lose sight of the fact that the opening months appeared to present hopes of increase of trade and consequent general prosperity in the Colony. The disappointment of these hopes has thus seemed all the more distressing.

We were delighted to welcome Lady Clementi at the Institute soon after her arrival in the Colony. Her interest in the welfare of the seafaring classes in Hongkong is well known, and as far as organising a Ladies' Entertainment Committee, in addition to the already existing Tennis Committee, for running periodical entertainments of various sorts in the Institute. The offer of the use of a tennis court at Government House was also very greatly appreciated, though circumstances so far have not enabled us to take advantage of this privilege.

"It is not likely that the tennis parties as run formerly will be carried on in quite the same way until shipping and trade has resumed its more or less normal state, but we are sincerely grateful to Mrs. D. G. M. Bernard and other friends for their interest and help in arranging that the outdoor social activities should not suffer more than necessary owing to the prevalent trouble. In the early part of the year of course tennis parties were held, and for the kindness in carrying those out, we thank all those concerned."

"The loss sustained by the Society owing to the Strike and Boycott is shown most clearly when we come to deal with statistics. The numbers of seafarers attending our Church Services were seriously affected, a misfortune if it can be called so, which we shared with the branch in Shanghai. In both "stations" for Sunday after Sunday, where previously the seafolk attendance had averaged about 25 or more according to the shipping in port, the numbers dropped to single figures. In spite of this, however, in Hongkong we are only some 120 "down" on the 1924 figures, while we are thankful to be able to report that there is a slight increase in the number of attendances at Celebrations of the Holy Communion.

"Owing to the presence in port of so many of H. M. vessels for longer times than usual our indoor social figures show an increase, though these quoted only record attendances of seafarers at "shows" organised by us, and does not include ship's company dances which for the most part are run by the Ships' Dancing Clubs.

"The beds occupied during the year also show a decrease, for it must be remembered that during part of the trouble men were not allowed to sleep ashore, but had to return on-board each night, and also that for some little time, only those men who were already boarding in the Institute were able to sleep there owing to the greatly diminished staff being only able to cope with that much of the work.

"When we come to deal with finance, we find there the most evident results of all the trouble. And in this we have cause for very careful and anxious thought. We started the year with an adverse balance of over \$11,500, and our aim was to clear at least some of this off during 1926. Circumstances unfortunately proved against us, and for the rest of the twelve months all we could hope to do was to keep the work going.

"The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation were good enough to allow us to increase the mortgage on the Seamen's Institute from \$60,000 to \$90,000, covering not only the Reclamation Fund, 2 Account, but also the overdraft on the Current Account, up to a limit of \$15,000. This enabled us to carry on, but the end of December came with the limit nearly reached, and certain investments bringing in no interest. A further result of the boycott was the increase in unemployment, most of those men so unfortunately

situated being officers and engineers, whose savings were soon exhausted. These men we could not possibly refuse to take in at the Institute, for the fault was not theirs, and at any time it seemed likely that their posts in the steamers would be open again, and though when able to do so, they would undoubtedly repay us money owed us, this state of affairs has made it increasingly hard for us to make both ends meet. We always have certain bad debts, mostly incurred by men who made vague promises to pay some time, men whom we are here for the very purpose of helping and could help far more easily if they would only help themselves. If these debts could be repaid we should be in a very much better position, but as it is, we have had to limit the extent of our help to the most necessities and reasonable cases. Needless to say, it is most difficult to say "No," when perhaps another chance may make all the difference. The year finished financially with a debit balance of \$15,278.31, bad debts amounting to \$2,063.

The financial stress as already stated was one of the causes of the closing of the Kowloon Institute. At one time it seemed likely that we should be able to let the building, and in fact all had been done but the signing of the papers, but it was discovered during an inspection of the structure that one of the walls had very recently developed signs of weakness, due to it being believed to the thrust of the roof, and the cost of even the most necessary repairs alone was prohibitive considering the exhausted state of our exchequer. At the close of the year no definite decision had been made as to the future of the building. The report closes with warm expressions of thanks to all who have helped the Mission during the year.

HOLLAND'S FAIR.

BIG INDUSTRIAL VENTURE.

Holland's 14th Industrial Fair, held from 9-18th March last at Utrecht, was a success in every respect. As regards the number of participants, it was the biggest hitherto held since the Fair was internationalized in September, 1921, and an exceptionally lively business was done. In almost all groups of industry the turnover was considerable, notwithstanding the influence resulting from the special Trade Fairs experimental held at Amsterdam.

The results of the Fair were in many cases a surprise for the participants, seeing that the general economic condition is still depressed. The section "Building Materials" was of considerable interest and was largely visited, the reason being that, for the first time, an exhibition of municipal works (extension plans, plans of new buildings, bridges, harbour works, etc.) was connected therewith. The Road-Construction Department in the section was much larger than before and many foreign firms were represented therein.

The experiment of the organisation of a special group of fancy goods met with considerable success. An amalgamated group of French manufacturers in that section did very well. The Netherlands Colonial Department attracted much attention by exhibits of rubber, timber and oil.

The number of exhibitors was 938 against 764 at the former Fair. The exhibitors were distributed according to nationality as follows:—Holland 613, Germany 109, France 66, England 46, Belgium 34, United States of America 26, Switzerland 12, Czechoslovakia 7, Austria 3, Italy 4, Denmark 2, Norway 1, Sweden 1. There were no exhibitors from Hongkong, China and Japan.

The number of visitors, principally business people, may be estimated between 60,000 and 65,000. The buildings will be considerably enlarged, especially in connection with exhibits of heavy machinery.

The next Fair will be held from 6-17 September, 1926, and will be again international. The Consul General for the Netherlands in Hongkong is prepared to communicate with the Committee of the Fair on behalf of prospective exhibitors.

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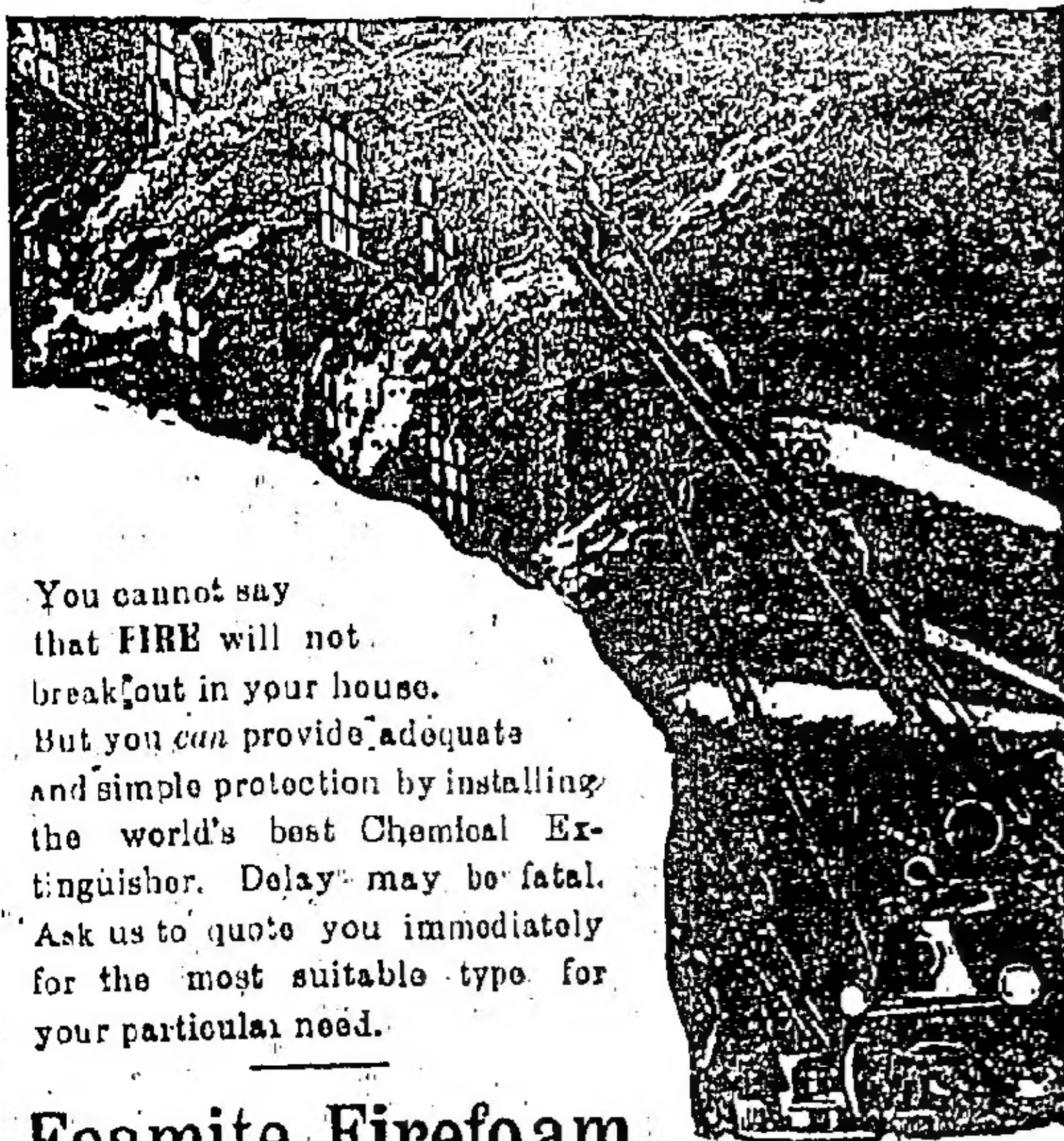
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S.C.A.A. SPORTS.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING YESTERDAY.

The fourth annual sports of the South China Athletic Association were held yesterday on the Club football ground at Happy Valley. The day was fine and ideal for the event and the many spectators who gathered spent an enjoyable day.

The meeting was notable in that six records were broken during the course of the day. These were the high jump, the discus throw, the running broad jump, the 100 metres flat race, the run, hop step and jump, and the 1,500 metres.

After the events were over the prizes were distributed by Miss Kwok, the daughter of Mr. Kwok An-po and she was afterwards presented with a bouquet in a silver holder.

The results of the sports were as follows:

100 metres flat.—1, Lam Yuk-ying; 2, Chau Hui-lung.
400 metres flat (Open to 'Boy Scouts').—1, 14th Troop; 2, 8th Troop.
Putting the shot.—1, Ng Po-lau; 2, Ng Sau-yun; 3, Leung Hoo-ying (10.7 metres).
200 metres flat (Ladies).—1, Lam Yuk-ying; 2, Chau Hui-lung (24 1/5 sec.).
50 metres flat.—Mak Yuk-tsang; 2, Mak Yim-tsang; 3, Lai Po-ku.

High Jump.—1, Cheung Tak-wing; 2, Leung Yiu-choi; 3, Ting Tai-cheung. (5 ft. 3 3/4 ins. a record).
400 metres flat.—1, Wong Shiu-leung; 2, Li Ping-fong; 3, Leung Kam-kwong. (58 sec.).
Discus Throw.—1, Ng Sau-yun; 2, Wong Tak-nin; 3, Leung Ying-ho. (24 metres, a record).
800 metres relay race.—1, Dik Yue Club. (1 min. 47 sec.).

Pole Vault.—1, Leung Hoo-ying; 2, Cheung Tak-wing. (9 ft. 9 ins.).
100 metres flat (Boys).—1, Wong Shiu-pang; 2, Ip Yan-look; 3, Wong Kam-shang.

Running Broad Jump.—1, Cheung Tak-wing; 2, Leung Hoo-ying; 3, Pak Kiu-tong. (6.11 metres, a record).
800 metres flat.—1, Ng Tak-wing; 2, Fung Kwok-wah; 3, Hau Po-ki. (2 min. 14 4/5 sec.).

100 metres Boy's flat race.—1, Wong Shiu-pang; 2, Wong An-ping; 3, Ko Shan.
"B" flat.—1, Yuen Piu-lam; 2, Wong Shiu-kong; 3, Tsang Ah-nau.

"C" ditto.—1, Lai Wah-tai; 2, Hau Ching-oi; 3, Chan Sik-yau.
100 metres Boy Scouts flat.—1, Lui Ying-hong; 2, Ching Wah-kit; 3, Kwok Wing-ying.

100 metres high hurdles.—1, Cheung Tak-wing; 2, Lam Yuk-ying. (16 1/5 sec.).
Kicking the Football.—1, Yip Chau-bong; 2, Lau Kau; 3, Ip Long-chuen. (140 feet).
200 metres flat race (Open to 1, Leung Kam-kwong; 2, Ip Ky-ying; 3, Chau Ying-kiu).
Hop, Step and Jump.—1, Lau Kau; 2, Leung Yue-choi; 3, Tang Ki-cheung. (10.77 metres, a record).

200 metres flat (Open to the Colony).—1, T. Hamet; 2, B. Alves; 3, C. Maclewerth. (23 3/5 sec.).
200 metres low hurdles.—1, Leung Hoo-ying; 2, Cheung Tak-wing; 3, Lau Mau. (29 1/5 sec.).
Ladies' Nomination Race.—1, Miss Yik and Yik Chan-hong; 2, Miss Woo and Chan Worn-yin.
1,500 metres flat race.—1, Ng Tak-wing; 2, Lu Cho-fuk; 3, Li Kai-nai. (4 min. 51 sec., a record).

100 metres Veterans Race (Members over 35).—1, Hung Yan-chau; 2, Hung Koon-chau; 3, Ho Wah-hing.

5,000 metres flat.—1, Leung Ying-luen; 2, Ching Chui-hong; 3, Ng Tak-wing. (20 mins. 17 sec.).
100 metres Handicap (Officials).—1, Kwok Po-kan; 2, Ng Kam-chuen; 3, Shek Cheung-sau.

Volley Ball.—1, To Kung Club "A".
400 metres relay.—1, S.C.A.A. school.

Basket Ball.—Ying Wo College, Y.M.C.A.

LAWN TENNIS.

THE LEAGUE PROGRAMME OPENED.

The Hongkong lawn tennis league commenced on Saturday when seven matches in the three divisions were decided. Some matches were postponed on account of the weather. The results in the "A" Division were:

I.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.
H. D. Rumjahn and Y. A. Wahab beat Henderson and Brerley 5-3, 6-4, 6-3.
J. A. Cassimboy and I. A. Razack beat Henderson and Brerley 3-3, 6-3, 6-3.
S. A. Hussain and S. A. Rumjahn beat Henderson and Brerley 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.
Lawrence and Raworth 8-3, 6-3, 6-3.
I.R.C. beat H.K.C.C. 50-40.

U.S.R.C. v. M.B.K.
Mackenzie and Gould beat Abe and Honda 5-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Yamada 7-4, 6-3, 6-3.
Col. Edwards and Capt. Allfree beat Abe and Honda 5-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Yamada and Yamada 3-8, 6-3, 6-3.
Unotero and Akiyama 4-7, 6-3, 6-3.
Fruit and Stevens beat Abe and Honda 5-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Yamada 4-7, 6-3, 6-3.
Unotero and Akiyama 8-8.

U.S.R.C. lost to M.B.K. 42-57.
DIVISION B.
H.K.C.C. v. Indian R.C.
Armstrong and Lloyd beat S. A. R. Ismail and S. A. Hamid 7-1, 6-3, 6-3.
S. S. Hussain and O. Ismail 6-5, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat A. G. Mohamed and D. Mohamed 6-5.

Nowers and Lyons lost to S. A. R. Ismail and S. A. Hamid 4-7, 6-3, 6-3.
S. S. Hussain and O. Ismail 2-0, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat A. G. Mohamed and D. Mohamed 7-4.

Capt. Bloxham and Mitchell beat S. A. R. Ismail and S. A. Hamid 8-3, 6-3, 6-3.
lost to S. S. Hussain and O. Ismail 3-8, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat A. G. Mohamed and D. Mohamed 3-8.

H.K.C.C. lost to I.R.C. 46-53.
M.B.K. v. U.S.R.C.
Fujita and Enia lost to Major Edwards and Capt. O'Leary 2-3, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat Dr. Thomas and W. Smith 6-5, 6-3, 6-3.
Edo and Mawatari lost to Major Edwards and Capt. O'Leary 4-7, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat Dr. Thomas and W. Smith 3-8, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat W. Maude and W. Aucott 6-5, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat Buys and Ramondt 7-1, 6-3, 6-3.
Knottnerus and de Veer 4-7.

G. R. Sayer and Major Wilson beat Heintzen and van Egmond 9-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat Buys and Ramondt 11-0, 6-3, 6-3.
Knottnerus and de Veer 11-0.

C. H. Bradley and A. C. Shepherd beat Heintzen and van Egmond 6-5, 6-3, 6-3.
Beat Buys and Ramondt 10-1, 6-3, 6-3.
Knottnerus and de Veer 9-2.
C.S.C.C. beat N.T.C. 72-27.
University v. Club de Recreo.
This match resulted in a victory for the Club de Recreo by 72-27. Detailed scores are not available.

DIVISION C.
C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.
Li Hau-sik and Ma Wei-pak beat Smith and Hugh Jones 8-3, 6-3, 6-3.
Rankin and Prior 9-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Watson and Sheldon 7-4.

Cheung Chi-wing and Chiu Tsan-chiu beat Smith and Hugh Jones 10-1, 6-3, 6-3.
Rankin and Prior 9-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Watson and Sheldon 9-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Rankin and Prior 10-1, 6-3, 6-3.
Smith and Hugh Jones 10-1.

C.R.C. beat H.K.C.C. 81-18.
Club de Recreo v. Talkeo.
H. Barros and F. Ozorio beat Boulton and MacPhedran 9-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Keown and Gardner 8-3, 6-3, 6-3.
Seath and Waid 9-2.

E. Norenha and F. Remedios beat Boulton and MacPhedran 9-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Keown and Gardner 7-4, 6-3, 6-3.
Seath and Waid 5-6.
C. Busto and C. Barretto beat Boulton and MacPhedran 9-2, 6-3, 6-3.
Keown and Gardner 8-3, 6-3, 6-3.
Seath and Waid 8-3.

Recreo beat Talkeo 72-27.

CALCUTTA RIOTS.

Situation Now Quiet.

Calcutta, May 2.
Apparently calm has been restored. No cases of stabbing or assault happened yesterday for the first time since the beginning of the riots.—Reuter.

WAR DEBTS.

Washington, May 1.
President Calvin Coolidge has signed the Bills making effective the war debt funding arrangements negotiated with Belgium, Latvia and Estonia, respectively. Jugo-Slavian Obligations.
An agreement has been reached for funding the \$51,000,000 Jugo-Slavian war debt to the United States. The terms of payment will be spread over 62 years without interest for the first twelve years, after which the rate will begin at one eighth per cent. and gradually increase to 3 1/2 per cent for the last 27 years.—Reuter's American Service.

BOULDER CRASH.

HOUSE DEMOLISHED BY 60 TON ROCK.

A huge rock, weighing approximately sixty tons, was dislodged from the hillside at Tai Hang Village, in the North Point district, yesterday, and crashed on to a house in course of construction. The structure was partly demolished, and part of the contractors' material adjoining was also badly damaged. The rock brought down a large quantity of earth and smaller stones, and a nullah running near the house was blocked. Fortunately there was no one about at the time, and nobody was hurt.

BILLIARDS.

TOM NEWMAN STILL CHAMPION.

London, May 1.
Playing at the Holborn Hall in the professional billiards championship, Tom Newman, the holder, beat Davis by 16,000 pts. to 9,505. Davis was the only challenger and Newman thus retains his title.
In the Empire amateur billiards championship, Rutledge of South Africa beat McClure of North Ireland by 2,000 pts. to 1,520.—Reuter.

MOTOR RACING.

WORLD'S RECORD IN CALIFORNIA.

Speedway, N. J., May 1.
Harry Hartz of California covered the 300 miles motor race course in two hours and fourteen minutes, 14.18 seconds. This is claimed to be the world's record.—Reuter's American Service.

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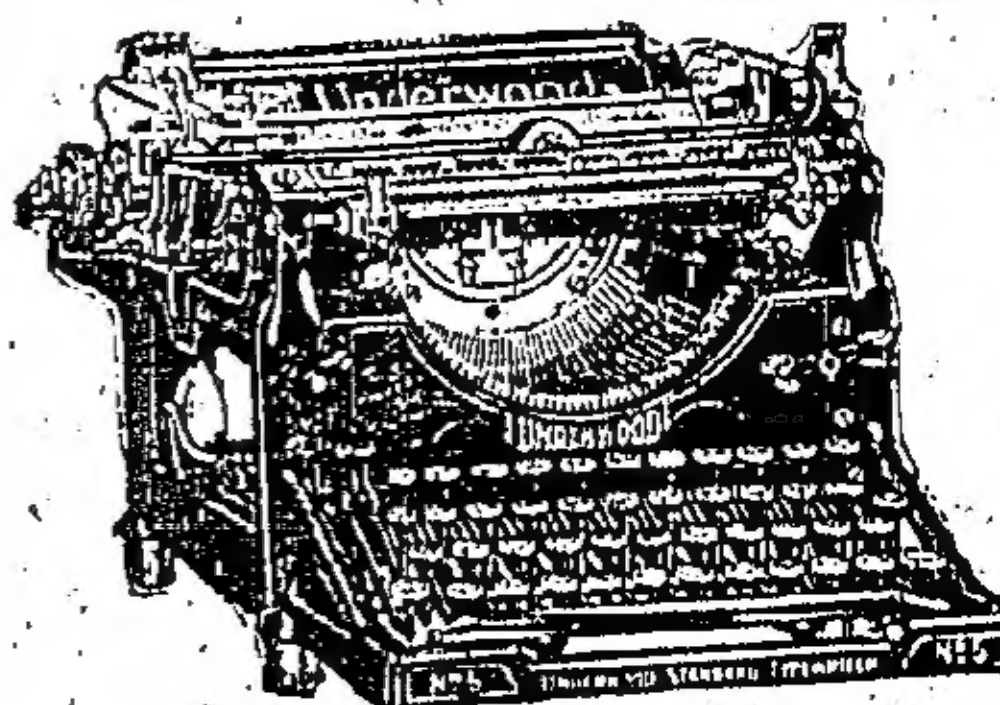
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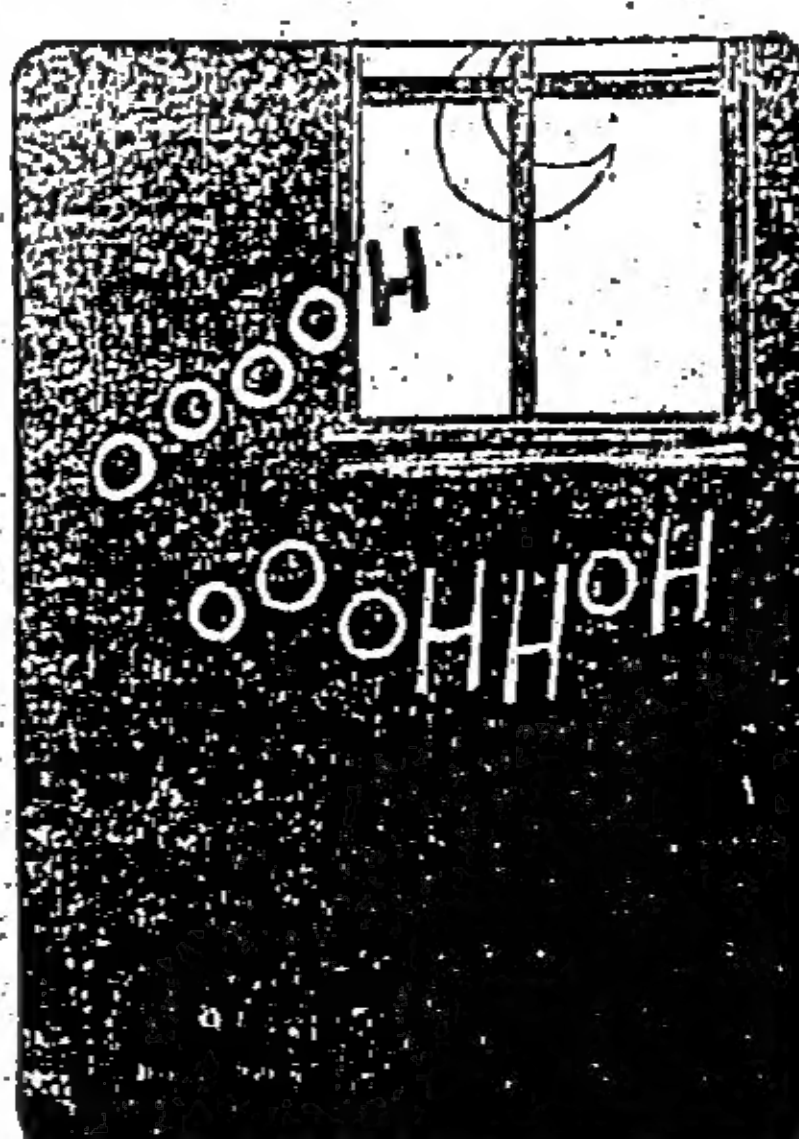
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MARRIAGE.

CLELAND - JENKINS. — On April 10th, 1926, at the Presbyterian Church, Singapore, Olive Cly Jenkins, B.A., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Jenkins, Doncaster, England, to Henry Rennie McPhail Cleland, C.A., son of the late Mr. T. Cleland and Mrs. Cleland, of Edinburgh, Scotland.

The Telegraph.

MONDAY, MAY 3, 1926.

BRITAIN'S CRISIS.

All other news over the week-end has been dwarfed by that from England telling of the commencement of a national coal strike and the threatened general strike of many vital trades by Tuesday, if the coal dispute is not settled. An exceedingly grave national situation exists, and it is difficult, because of possible rapid changes either for better or for worse, to write regarding it. The central fact, however, is that organised Labour is practically solid in its support of the miners' stand and that it is throwing the whole of its great economic fighting strength into a bloodless, but nevertheless grim, war against the coal owners and the Government. The morality of the act is arguable, for there are those who believe that it is wrong for organised Labour to wield the paralysing weapon of the general strike in order to enforce sectional claims; whilst there are also those who claim that Labour has an undeniable and moral right to organise in its own defence and in order to possess an effective bargaining force. The schools are sharply divided, and it is not our purpose here to enter into that argument, but rather to see, where the breakdown in the coal negotiations (the start of the trouble) might have been avoided. The only way to stave off or stop the threatened general strike is to deal with the miners' issue.

And in that connection we cannot resist the conclusion that there was a very unnecessary precipitancy. For many months now, the country has been bearing the burden of a huge coal subsidy in order to give the industry time to settle its differences. The country will have a right to ask whether it spent all those millions of

pounds sterling just to delay the strike for six months, and whether it was not entitled to something a little more valuable than the mere postponement of a disaster. The report of the Coal Commission is barely yet two months' old, and there has not been time to act upon its many recommendations for the improvement of the industry. But, notwithstanding that fact, the axe has been brought down ruthlessly on the date May 1st, and the subsidy prop has been kicked away without anything else having been put in its place, saving a proposal that the men should now begin to accept lower wages and that sometime in the future certain re-organisation improvements will be carried out. The miners have replied: "No, we are not going to be the only ones to suffer at this stage." And they go so far as to say that when the promised re-organisation by the Government and the owners materialises they will then, in the light of the results, consider, if necessary, wages readjustments. There is something to be said for their point of view, after all, although we do not subscribe to the extravagant phrases used by their leading spokesmen.

It would appear to us, that eventually, the Government may have to come to the rescue again, temporarily, with either the whole or part of the subsidy. Or, alternatively, that the owners will have to pay more than they have been doing, leaving it to the Government to make up the difference between the "standard" rates and the rates in force prior to Saturday. The fact ought not to be lost sight of that the miners are not striking for more pay, but are refusing to accept a reduction in wages that would put them back to the 1921 level—a level which they say is too low to give a reasonable living standard. The picture of Britain in the throes of a general strike is not a pleasant one to contemplate, so highly organised and sensitive is its system of food supply and distribution, and so disastrous to the national weal is a stoppage of its complex industrial organisation. One can rely on a Conservative Government leaving no stone unturned to ensure the maintenance of essential services, and it is reassuring to read the calls for moderate conduct which have been made by the labour leaders. We can only hope that some way will yet be found, even though of temporary character, to bring about the resumption of the nation's normal life.

The Fire Brigade.

It is gratifying to notice that the Government has lost no time in selecting the members of the Committee which is to enquire into the future operation of the Colony's fire-fighting organisation. As will have been seen from the list of names published on Saturday, a thoroughly representative body of men has been got together, including many leading business men, members of the Government, well-known public men and representatives of the Army and Navy. In all, there are a dozen members of the Committee, and a thoroughly useful and informative report should be the result of the deliberations of these men. We notice that, according to the terms of reference, the task of the Committee is "to consider suggestions made by the Chief Officer, Fire Brigade, for the improvement of the fire-fighting organisation of the Colony, and to make such recommendations as may seem proper." It is satisfactory to see that opportunity is thus being given for the technical head of the Brigade to put forward his ideas on the many points which have been raised in recent times in connection with the Colony's fire-fighting arrangements, but we trust that, desirable as this is, the investigation will not be confined to suggestions from this particular source. What is needed is that the whole ques-

DAY BY DAY.

NATURE NEVER SAYS ONE THING, WISDOM ANOTHER.
Juvenal.

The weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—East or variable winds, moderate to light; overcast.

After falling from the second floor of No. 78, Battery Path, a Chinese has been to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

Two cases of enteric fever, one Chinese and one Indian, were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Friday.

The rainfall registered at the Botanic Gardens during April totalled 18.90 inches. There were only nine days on which no fall was recorded.

Amongst the passengers who arrived from Manila by the s.s. President Jefferson were Mrs. Birkett, Miss Birkett, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer and the Rev. Brother Paul.

A dog owned by a Chinese living at No. 80, Hurd Road, which bit another Chinese yesterday, has been sent to Kennedy Town. The victim is being treated at the Government Civil Hospital.

Among those who left for England on the s.s. Macedonia on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bennett, Lieut. Comm. I. B. Franks, Mrs. S. B. B. McElderry and children and Mr. and Mrs. A. Kirk.

An unknown American, who refused to give his name, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries received through falling down some stairs at 74, Hollywood Road.

Lady Willington, who is accompanying her husband on his Boxer Indemnity Mission to China, is coming down to Hongkong from the North. She is due here by the Empress of Canada on Thursday.

Mr. Van Stoenberger, employed at the Netherlands Harbour Works, North Point, has reported to the police that one of the foremen, who received \$188.55 to pay the men's wages, has absconded with the money.

Vessels expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day are:—Coviro, Viminale, Van Cloon, Htrado Maru, Khyber, Kaijo Maru, West Cajot, Borneo Maru, Kwangchow, Haining, Tonkin and Nagpore.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) has decided to inspect the Hongkong Police Force to-morrow at 4 p.m., instead of Tuesday next, week, which was the date fixed when the event was postponed for the third time on account of bad weather.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Revenue Officer Lanigan made an application, before Mr. J. H. B. Nihil, for the confiscation of one revolver and 800 rounds of ammunition, which were found unclaimed in a disused cabin on board the Blue Funnel liner Hyson. His Worship made the necessary confiscation order.

Facilities afforded by the new cash-on-delivery parcel-post service will be greatly increased as Monomarks become more generally used for marking goods. Suppliers who Monomark their goods enable anyone, without knowing their name and address, to send them orders. If an article bears a "B.C.M." anyone wishing to obtain one like it can post his order in an envelope addressed to the Monomark, with the addition of "London, W.C.I." Orders so addressed will be delivered via the Monomark organisation to the firm holding the mark, who can then arrange for the goods to be supplied C.O.D.

tion of fire-prevention and control shall be gone into from every possible standpoint, and we hope that witnesses will be called from all quarters concerned with the work. Now that a Committee has been appointed, let it survey the whole problem, so that one big and comprehensive effort may be made to remedy such defects as are found to exist and to institute such improvements as are deemed essential.

THE GENERAL STRIKE.

(Continued from Page 1).

the General Council of the Trades Union Congress advising him that the conduct of the dispute and negotiations would be undertaken by the General Council and that the General Council would hold themselves available at any moment should the Government desire to discuss the matter further. The Premier had, thereupon, invited the representatives of the Trades Union Congress to meet him.

After the meeting, Mr. G. H. Thomas one of the Negotiating Committee of the Trades Union Congress, said:—"The Prime Minister, having received a communication from the Trades Union Congress, invited the Congress Committee to explain it. After a long discussion, it was found necessary that further explanations should be given, which was done by a small committee of that body. The matter is adjourned with the hope that further negotiations will take place to-day (Sunday)."

At noon to-day a Cabinet Council was held. In the afternoon the General Council of the Trades Union Congress met. It adjourned, while its Negotiating Committee visited the office of the Labour Party. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, leader of the Labour Party was there, and subsequently there was a meeting the decision of which was not disclosed. The Negotiating Committee then rejoined the General Council, whose deliberations were continued. At seven o'clock the Negotiating Committee proceeded to Downing Street and again met the Premier and Members of the Cabinet.

Some significance attaches to the fact that the members of the Miners' Executive, most of whom returned to their districts after the breakdown of the coal negotiations of Friday, have been recalled to London by telegram sent

out this morning by the headquarters of the Miners' Federation. In view of the coal stoppage, the Government has taken steps to conserve the available coal supplies in this country. It has notified all foreign Governments that, as there is no reserve of bunker coal at British ports and no prospects of the replenishment of current stocks, it will not be possible to provide bunker coal in this country for vessels, other than those performing services essential to the national interest. The Government has added to this the notification that every effort will be made to minimise delay or inconvenience to foreign shipping. —British Wireless.

LATE MEETING.

London, May 2. The Negotiating Committee of the Trade Union Congress arrived at nine in the evening at No. 10 Downing Street; where, it appears, that the Committee assembled in one room and members of the Cabinet in another, Mr. J. H. Thomas and Mr. Pugh acting as intermediaries.

Mr. Herbert Smith, Mr. A. J. Cook and other members of the Miners' Executive have been recalled from the country districts and arrived at Downing Street by taxicab at 11.45.

This development is considered hopeful. —Reuter.

WATCHFUL GERMANY.

Berlin, May 2. Developments in the British coal-mining dispute are being watched most interestedly in Germany. German mineowners, who have recently been suffering from British competition, are pleased at the prospect, regarding their share of the world's coal trade as wrested from them by British miners.

The leaders of the Socialists and Communist parties are urging German miners to do their utmost to help their British colleagues, and opine they will be able to prevent the direct transport of coal from the Ruhr to Britain, and the negotiating with Dutch Labour Unions with a view to preventing German coal reaching Britain, via Holland. —Reuter.

The Very Idea!

In Tia Juana, that picturesque little imitation of Monte Carlo, just across the border from San Diego, is a cafe run by two brothers from Oklahoma. One night I was sitting at a table conversing with the younger brother and his blond sweetheart. A big black-haired fellow walked up to the bar and ordered a drink, casually looking around the room. His eyes met the eyes of the girl, and lingered a moment longer than her sweet heart thought necessary. As the big chap turned back to the bar, I said to the boy: "Do you know that bird?" "Yeh—he's trying to be sweet on my girl here," he answered with a baleful expression. Thinking to tease him, I said: "Well—you don't hate him—do you?" After another glance at his rival's back, he answered: "Hate him! Why—I wouldn't dust off his tongue if I met him in the desert."

Forloria, O., has a hurdle-jumping taxicab used by the police in running down bootleggers who have taken to the tall timbers. Ward Cooper, diver, recently put his car through its pace, hurled a ditch and bounced over a rough stubble field, finally overtaking a fleeing man.

He walked right in the butcher shop. Saw five large fish and bought 'em. The butcher tossed them out to him. So he could say he caught 'em.

Sir Arthur Keith has decided that nobody can use his brain enough to damage it. Sir Arthur's conclusion may, of course, be the result of experiment; but more likely it is the result of observation.

East Ham witness in an action for damages at Bow County Court—She could not have seen the accident; she was standing outside a hat shop window.

On the occasion of the recent 25th anniversary of the admission of women to the bar in France it was disclosed that there now are

137 women advocates enrolled at the Paris bar. Fewer than 20 are practicing barristers in the courts, however, the others being salaried employees in law offices where they prepare briefs, interview clients, etc.

More schoolboy howlers:—Titus was a Roman Emperor. His other name was Oates. He wrote the Epistle to the Hebrews. Food passes through your windpipe to your pores, and leaves your body by evaporation through a lot of little holes in the skin called capillaries.

A circle is a round straight line with a hole in the middle. In Austria the principal occupation is gathering Austrian feathers.

John McCormack has \$1,000,000 endowment insurance, probably a record for that form of policy. In three years he will begin payments averaging \$200,000 until he is 51.

Linn county is getting ready to eradicate its cattle and thereby insure good, safe, clean milk and pure beef.—From an editorial in a Cedar Rapids paper.

A woman knows that her new gown is not a perfect fit when another woman tells her it is.

A sailor's wife—she ran away. In vain he tried to trip her. It seems he took her for a mate; Instead, she proved a skipper.

Vincenzo Meile, father of the girl, was awarded, in addition, \$5,000 for expenses resulting from his daughter's injury. He operates a grocery store and six other children.—From a court item in a Brooklyn paper.

School teachers under the Glamorgan County Council, must be able to teach Welsh by 1927.

During service at Middleton-in-Teesdale-Parish Church the lights suddenly went out, through failure of the town gas supply. Service was continued by candle-light. Yes, by a coincidence the rector's sermon was based on the text: "I was disclosed that there now are

DEFENCE CALLS
EXPERT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Leong Fun-pak if he knew Tai San Street, where was located the Chung Wah printing shop (occurring in the case as the shop where the forged leaves of the deposit book "Emma" are said to have been printed.)

Witness stated that he knew the street in question, but had never heard of the shop. Witness pointed out that he had not been back to Canton for quite a long period.

A CONTRADICTION?

As to this, Mr. Jenkin remarked that witness had told them he spent only three days in Hongkong and the remainder of his time in Canton within the period mentioned by counsel. "But never mind about that," added Mr. Jenkin.

Counsel's next questions were directed to finding out if witness had ever met or known the second prisoner, Lam Fook-chu, or Fok Chung-yuen here or in Canton, and witness replied in the negative.

The cross-examination was next directed to the witness's ability as an expert in Chinese handwriting. Said Mr. Jenkin: "This gentleman has professed to be an expert, so I will test him as such," and counsel proceeded to assail testimony witness had given on this point, at the same time producing various exhibits of Chinese calligraphy and tentatively holding a magnifying glass.

Witness was first asked to number the occasions when he handled "Emma" and "Nina" in the case, and he replied that this was only the second time he had handled it, in the Court, the previous time being a week back when he was given the exhibits to examine by the solicitors for the first defendant. Besides the labels on these two books, he was also shown a third label, and he did have a look as well into "Nina."

There is also a well-known restaurant in Canton named the "Tung Ah"—Yes.

Shown the second and third of the series of H. Exhibits, witness, in reply to Mr. Jenkin, opined that the characters in both were written by the same hand.

Witness' attention was then drawn to the entry *see man yuen ching* which appears in the second column, Chinese fashion, of Page 3 in the original deposit book "Nina." The first character meant "two," the second meant "Ten thousand," the third meant a circle or "dollar" and the fourth meant "exact." In other words it was an entry of "twenty thousand dollars, exactly."

A BIG CHARACTER.

Having explained this much to the Court, counsel produced from a portfolio his new exhibit "O-1" a loose page on which was inscribed the character *Yee*. It was not necessary for counsel to have invitingly handled his magnifying glass, as almost the whole surface of this paper was occupied by the character, which was produced as a specimen.

Witness who had stated that the *Yee* in "Nina" and on O1 were written by the same hand, was asked how these compared with the *Yee* in the corresponding page of the forged "Emma."

"If you want this magnifying glass you can have it," invited Mr. Jenkin.

Witness said that the *Yee* in O1 and "Nina" was written with three strokes. He agreed with counsel that the same character in the forged "Emma" was written with five strokes.

Counsel: Entirely different to the other two?—Yes.

Counsel next dealt with *man*, the character for ten thousand.

Witness agreed that the lower part of the *man*, as it occurred in the original deposit book "Nina," was written with one flowing stroke without lifting the pen.

He was then referred to the same character as it appeared in the forged deposit book "Emma" and asked if the corresponding lower part of the character was written in a different way, with two strokes of the pen.

Witness: It looks like it—it only says it looks like it.

Have you any doubt it was written by the same hand? counsel asked.

Witness replied that the greater portion of the character looked alike in both cases, but he did not say it was exactly alike.

Do you think it is written in the same way?—Yes, I think it is written in the same way.

Counsel next dealt with *yuen* and *ching* cross-examining witness closely.

BLASTING FATALITY.

FOLLOWED BY BOULDER
CRASH.

During blasting operations at Tai Hang on Saturday, one Chinese was killed and two others seriously injured.

As the result of this fatal mishap, the place was examined by the police, who ordered all work to stop, and in view of the insecure position of a huge mass of rock, weighing several hundred tons, everyone was told to leave the place.

Yesterday at 7.20 a.m., the rock became dislodged, and, crashing down the hillside, it totally demolished two new houses in the course of erection, the property of Mr. Chan Kai.

Part of the contractor's shed was also damaged, but owing to a timely warning of the police, there were no casualties.

"CHICHIBU MARU"
DISASTER.LATEST REPORTS OF
SURVIVORS.

Tokyo, May 3.
Latest reports indicate that ten of the Chichibu Maru's survivors are members of the crew and the other 89 fishermen. Amongst those rescued, one has died and 15 are in a critical condition. The search for the remaining 150 continues unceasingly, but is hampered by tempestuous seas. In the meantime, it is reported that the Chichibu Maru's hull is so badly broken up that salvage will probably be found impossible.

As to the difference that might be revealed in the two exhibits. DIFFERENT WRITING?

Mr. Jenkin (continuing):—I put it to you that the fifth and ninth strokes in the character *yuen* (dollar) in Nina is different to the corresponding stroke in "Emma"—There are differences.

I put it to you that the characters are written by a different hand?—Glancing at it, you cannot tell the difference.

Yes, I agree. If you study it carefully you can see quite clearly that they are written by different hands?—When a man writes a character, he might write it differently if he has a good pen.

I put it to you that it is quite apparent that the *yuen* in "Nina" and the *yuen* in "Emma" were written by a different hand?—I cannot tell whether it has been written by two different people.

Mr. Jenkin next referred to the character *san* (hand), and put it to the witness that it was obvious that the word in "Emma" and the word in "Nina" was written by a different hand.

Witness replied that there were some differences. They are unlike.

WITNESS AGREES.
Have you any doubt that they were written by different hands?

If you refer to *san* alone, it is written by a different hand.

Have you ever given evidence before in handwriting?—No.

Witness was shown the character *shan* (at the rate of), and it was pointed out to him that in "Emma" there were signs of hesitation in the loop causing an angular movement while in other books there was no sign of such pause.

Leong said he could see the pause distinctly, but it was also to be observed in LFP3C (another deposit book exhibit).

Mr. Jenkin handed both books to the jury for their own observations.

QUESTION ON THE LABELS.
Mr. Jenkin put in diagrams of the words Kwong Cheung Tai Ho, for the purpose of showing the order in which the characters were written. Witness agreed with the prosecution's numbering.

Questions were put as to the difference to be observed when a man wrote at different speeds. The witness said that on the exhibit shown him it was difficult to detect any difference in the character *lai* without very careful examination.

The case is proceeding.

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WOMEN JURORS.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—As one of your readers, I gladly accept the invitation to express an opinion on the question of the advisability of women serving on our juries. Frankly, I am alarmed at the suggestion.

In Saturday's article, "The Claims of Women," based upon the Rev. Copley Moyle's expression of opinion which appeared in your correspondence column, you stated "The average woman here has plenty of spare time, some of which could be usefully employed in an essential public service. In this regard she has far fewer home ties than her sisters at home."

That I consider the most truthful and yet damning statement that I have read of the average woman in the East. "She has fewer home ties." She unfortunately doesn't consider the paramount importance of home ties. And yet a respected clerical gentleman, in a thoughtless moment, has the temerity to suggest that she should be given official encouragement to further disregard the sacredness of home ties.

My experience of the "gentler sex" (and I am a married man) in Hongkong, causes me to shudder at the very thought of any one of them being called upon to decide the fate of a poor creature who has fallen foul of the law. First of all there would be the intolerable triumph of being able to say to Mrs. So-and-So "Haven't you been selected to sit on the jury in the such and such case. Of course I have had to refuse Mrs. Fiddleticks Mah-Jong party."

No, Sir! I would offer the alternative suggestion that if anyone desires to see Hongkong women uplifted, that he makes an effort to bring home to them the responsibilities of home ties. Hongkong women have forgotten that their all-important demesne is the home. May no man endeavour to give them further reasons for disregarding it.

Enclosing my card—Yours, etc.,
HOMEBIRD.

Hongkong, May 2, 1926.

AT THE CINEMAS.

THE MOSCOW STATE BALLET.

The Moscow State Ballet attracted large audiences to the Queen's Theatre on Saturday and Sunday nights. "The Fire Bird" was again the chief item on the former night, while "an ancient legend entitled 'The Disaster of Dionysus' was the *pièce de résistance* last night. M. Volzky capably interpreted the role of Dionysus—a spoiled boy, the God of wine and song—in which he was ably supported by Mlle. Panoff, a youthful nymph, who, according to the story, is the eternal companion of Dionysus.

The second part of the programme again gave the members of the company opportunity to display their individual talent. The next change of programme will be given to-morrow night.

"THE BEAUTIFUL CHEAT."

At the matinee performance at the Queen's Theatre yesterday, Laura La Plante appeared in what has been rightly described as "a fast moving comedy" entitled "The Beautiful Cheat." The plot is an exciting one, and yet bristles with intensely humorous episodes.

dealing with an aspirant to "movie" fame, who is made to pose as a wealthy Russian actress recently arrived in the United States. The story cleverly reveals her training in Paris prior to her triumphant entry into "movieland," and although Nemesis in the way of public exposure, threatens to bring her "castles" tumbling down, all ends happily. An excellent "Our Gang" comedy and an American news picture completes the programme which will be screened again to-day.

"THE GLOBE-TROTTERS."

Dick Norton's "New Globe-Trotters" concluded their season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, last evening with an excellent programme, including many items not previously heard in the Colony.

The Company was in especially good form and always responded to insistent demands for encores. The localisation of well-known songs were well received.

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The two new planes, of a type never before used here, are expected on the transport Meigs due at Manila on May 24. They will be given a thorough testing to determine their adaptability to local use for army purposes, and if the tests are successful more will be sent here. Opinion among the Camp Nichols officers is that they will be very satisfactory.

The planes are equipped with pontoons and with the regular landing carriage of the ordinary plane, so arranged that it can be lowered into position when needed.

Plans for the extension of the camp itself are being made, but are largely conditional upon the obtaining of more land.

Five new hangars for planes are to be built, and one is under way. All are exceptionally large, and as each required 90 days for building, it will be some time before they are completed.

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Milan	120.925
Stockholm	18.14
Oslo	22.40
Prague	104.3/10
Madrid	38.17
Rio	7.3/32
Bombay	1/5.27/32
Hongkong	2/24
Silver (spot)	30
Silver (forward)	29 15/16

—British W.

LOCAL GOLF.

THE DENISON CUP
COMPETITION.

In the Denison Cup qualifying competition, held at Deep Water Bay throughout April, persistent wet weather resulted in only 24 entries. The result was:—A. H. Ferguson, 65—1½=63½ qualifies.

Other scores included J. W. Franks, 72—71=64½; W. Lang, 77—9=68; W. F. Lubatti, 83—13½=69½.

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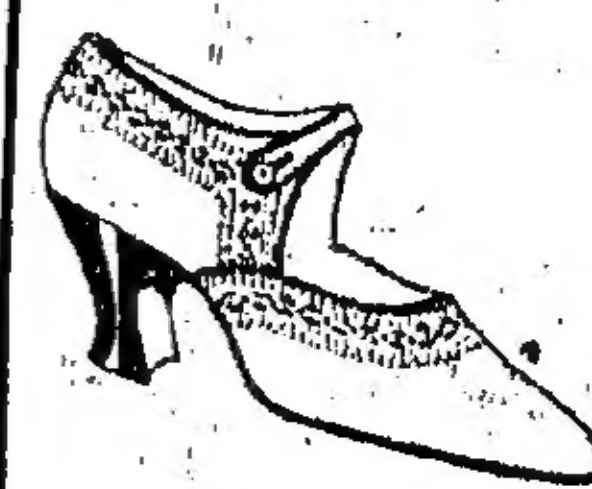
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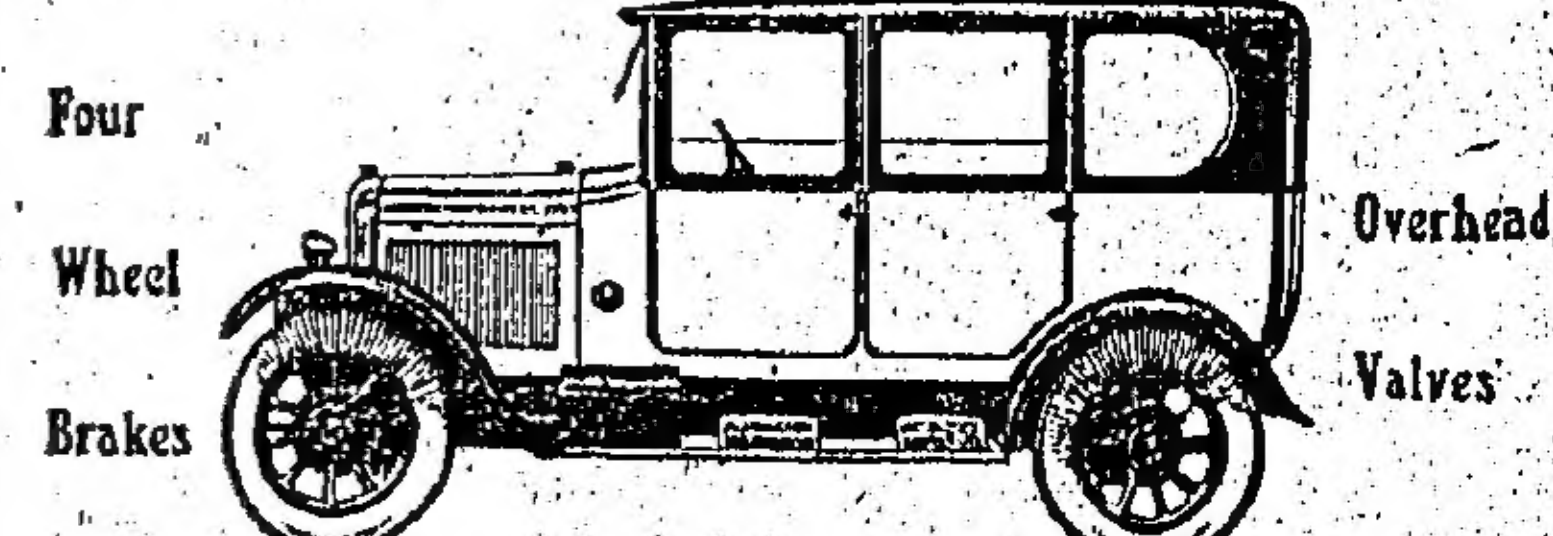
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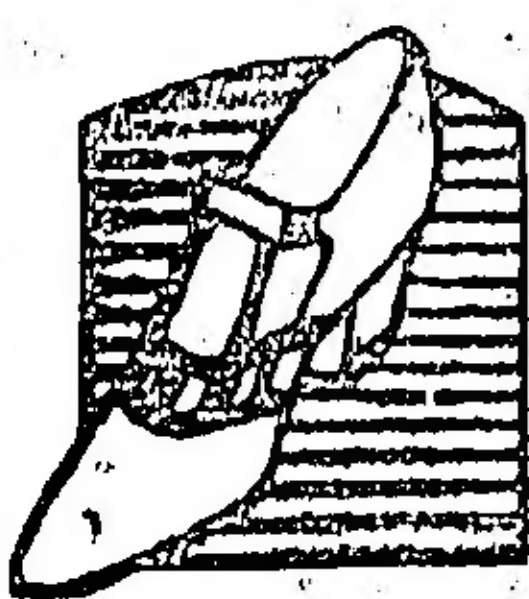
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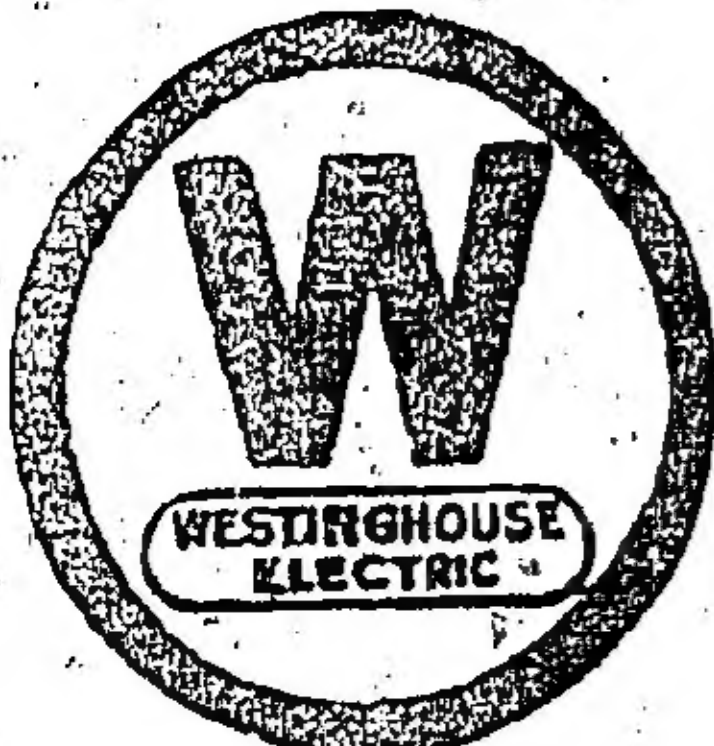
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BRITISH COAL CRISIS.

A WEEK-END OF FEARS AND HOPES.

London, May 1.

The long drawn tension before the coal negotiations broke down and the coal strike or "lock out," as miners' sympathisers prefer to call it, came into being, has been compared to that preceding Britain's declaration of war in 1914.

Whether the parallel will be drawn closer or not depends on the decision of the Trade Union Congress to-day in regard to what help the miners will get from other Unions.

Meanwhile emergency plans to meet the national crisis are maturing. It is understood that a proclamation of national emergency was signed by the King yesterday evening, but it will not be issued unless circumstances warrant it.

Arrangements for maintaining essential services will be in the hands of ten Civil Commissioners, one for each of ten districts into which the country has been divided. The Postmaster General being the Chief Civil Commissioner.

Wide Preparations.

Motor lorries began to assemble in Hyde Park yesterday evening as a precautionary measure in order to ensure London's milk and produce supplies.

The railway companies have prepared plans of a skeleton service if a general strike materializes. Special trains are said to be ready at Plymouth Dockyard and certain specialist naval ratings have been notified to hold themselves ready for any emergency.

The coal negotiations broke down because the miners finally absolutely refused to accept a reduced wage at the 1921 rate before the reorganization of the industry.

The Fatal Rock.

The owners offered a uniform national minimum of 20 per cent. over the standard, namely, the same percentage as the 1921 settlement. The offer was made on the basis of an eight-hour day because they were of opinion that in view of the poor state of the export districts it would otherwise be impossible to offer an acceptable uniform national minimum.

The Government, in conveying this offer to the Trade Unionists, guaranteed a carrying out of the Royal Commission's reorganization proposal.

The Trade Unionists replied expressing their willingness to co-operate with the Government in instituting such reorganization, and declaring that until reorganization had brought the industry greater prosperity the miners should not be called on to surrender any of their present inadequate wages conditions.

No Wage Reduction.

The Government then enquired whether, if the coal owners suspended notices, the miners would accept the recommendation of the Royal Commission that while the reorganization should proceed, the miners should consent to a reduction of wages in the meantime.

The miners replied that they were not prepared to accept a reduction of wages as a preliminary to the reorganization of the industry, but were prepared fully to consider all difficulties when the Government initiated the schemes of reorganization.

The Government, finally offered, if the miners would accept the report of the Commission, including the wages recommendation, to establish an Advisory Committee, on which the miners and the owners would be represented, to advise the Minister of Mines in regard to the reorganization of the industry. The miners' leader in reply made it perfectly clear that he did not accept any reduction of wages; and so the negotiations terminated at 11.50.

Royal Proclamation.

A proclamation has been published in the Gazette, dated from Buckingham Palace, April 30. It states that "whereas the present immediate threat of cessation of the coal miners constitutes a state of emergency under the Emergency Powers Act of 1920, we do, by and with the advice of the Privy Council, declare that a state of emergency exists."

"We Did Not Declare War."

The Chairman of the Trades Union Conference said that the trades unionists fully supporting the Council's policy numbered 3,653,537, and those who negatived that policy only 49,911.

Mr. Devlin expressed the Council's appreciation of the magnificent response of the various executives to its proposals.

decision to break off negotiations last night was a crime against society and was unnecessary and a wicked criminal fight.

He would raise the whole question in the House of Commons on Monday. He was still hoping that something would happen before then to enable the workers to continue at their work.

Mr. Cook, the miners' secretary, interviewed by *Reuter*, said: "We shall urge the men to keep the peace and protect the mines and to carry on safety work." "I personally appeal to the men to observe instructions so as to avoid untoward incidents that might possibly lead to bloodshed."

A Secret Conference.

The Conference of Executives of Unions affiliated to the Trades Union Congress met in London secretly to discuss the policy of support for the miners. A resolution submitted provides for the embargo of the handling of coal, especially that imported at the docks. It is not contemplated to call a general strike at this stage.

The delegates believed that negotiations would be reopened. The miners' delegates previously sat for two and a half hours, and decided to leave the conduct of affairs in the hands of the Council of the Trades Union Congress.

Mr. Herbert Smith, urged the miners in all districts to refrain from action that would give the authorities an excuse for interference with their people.

Reports from the coalfields indicate a general cessation of work. Everything is orderly and the miners are gloomy but determined.

General Strike of Vital Services.

Later.

The Trade Unions Congress has decided to call a general strike of vital services, including transport, on Tuesday if there is no settlement of the miners' dispute.

Orders have been received in South Wales ports to suspend the export of coal, and ships which have already sailed have been ordered by wireless to return. This is taken as an indication that all the coal country is under the control of the Government. The Trades Unions offer to maintain the distribution of essential foodstuffs.

Troops Moved.

The Government has precautionarily moved detachments of troops into South Wales, Lancashire and Scotland.

A memorandum of the Trades Unions Congress states that the trades involved in the strike call include all forms of transport, printing trades, including the press, iron and steel, chemicals, and building workers, except those employed in house and hospital work, electricity and gas, but the sanitary services will be continued. There will be no interference with the health and food services.

The memorandum describes the regulations for Trades Unions discipline, and declares that anyone found inciting workers to riot must be dealt with immediately.

Well Prepared Concerns.

The big industrial concerns in Manchester and the neighbourhood are well prepared to meet emergencies and there is little likelihood that there will be a curtailed production for some time. Most of the cotton mills now use electricity and depend on municipal supplies which are not likely to be curtailed at present. Others have very large stocks of coal.

The recommendations of the short time committee that the American spinning section shall cease working temporarily next week will ease matters. It is generally believed that the coal shortage will only slightly interfere with the work.

Premier's Wireless Message.

"Keep steady, and remember that peace on earth comes to men of good will" was the message of Mr. Stanley Baldwin, broadcast by wireless to the nation this evening.

The Premier's use of this medium of communication is interesting in view of the reported intention of the Government to commandeer the Broadcasting Company in the event of the closing down of the Press.

The Council had not submitted their proposals for action until they had learned that the Emergency Powers Act had been signed and the owners had started their propaganda, which he considered a proof that the Government was behind the scenes mobilising its forces for war.

"We did not declare war on the community; war has been declared on us by the Government. We are selecting certain vital trades

MARINE COURT.

HEAVY PENALTIES INFLICTED ON SATURDAY.

At the Marine Court on Saturday, before Lieut. Commr. G. F. Hole, the two cases which were heard were considered to be grave offences and both defendants were punished severely, one with a long term of imprisonment and another with a heavy fine.

Lieung Kau, master of a harbour boat, was charged with being on board the Kanchow, while the vessel was in quarantine and flying the flag, without first having obtained the express permission of the Port Health Officer. Defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour without the option of a fine.

Leung Hing, the master of the steam launch Tung On, was charged with being under way in the harbour without a licensed coxswain on board. Defendant pleaded guilty and in view of the fact that two previous convictions of a similar nature were registered against him, one only a week ago, he was fined \$50 with the alternative of two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

to bear the first brunt of the contest. There must be no argument as to who shall remain in and who come out. You must take and obey orders. Any members told to operate voluntary services must not be interfered with."

"A Crime Against Society."

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald said that the Government had decided to fight against the people's standard of living. He believed they had got peace at ten o'clock last evening, but the Government's

Referring to this suggested possibility, an official statement was issued at the close of the long sitting of the Trades Unions Congress this afternoon. The statement says that the General Council of the Congress is arranging direct communication with the offices of the Trades Unions to which all authoritative reports and announcements will be made directly, and warns Trades Unionists "to take no notice of any statement that may be broadcast by wireless or circulated by any other form."—*Reuter*.

New York Influenced.

New York, May 1.
The British strike decision is held responsible for the irregular opening of the stockmarket. The recent bullish enthusiasm which dampened it was the selling of sterling, the demand rate dropping three sixteenths of a cent. Other markets were also adversely influenced. The coal market is buoyant in expectation of higher prices and a better demand in the American market.

Shipping circles foresee a rise in charter rates.—*Reuter's American Service*.

No Time for Negotiations.

London, May 2.
Possibly there will be important developments in the crisis this evening when, on the invitation of the Premier, the Trades Union Congress Committee have longly conferred with the Premier and the members of the Cabinet at Downing Street. It is understood that in the course of the meeting the Trades Unions Congress representatives made a statement that if they resumed negotiations there was an immediate prospect that when the general strike was due to begin at midnight, on Monday the threat would not be carried out.

The Trades Unions representatives are understood to contend that owing to the lateness of the owners' offer presented to them on Friday evening, there was no time for real negotiation thereon.

Mr. Thomas's Statement.

Later.
The meeting between the Premier and the Trade Union representatives at Downing Street adjourned at 1.30 a.m. this morning after a five hour sitting. The Rt. Hon. Mr. J. H. Thomas in an official announcement to the press did not reveal the subject matter of the discussion but concluded "The matter is adjourned with the hope that further negotiations may occur to-day."

A Ray of Hope.

The *Sunday Times* learns that the council of the Trades Union Congress at conference with Mr. Baldwin expressed its willingness to delay the operation of notices for a general stoppage if the Government would temporarily grant a continuance of the subsidy and the owners withdraw their notices.—*Reuter*.

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PLAY AND PLAYERS.

THE END OF THE SOCCER SEASON.

[BY "WANDERER"]

Footballers the length and breadth of Britain must have given a sigh of relief on Saturday afternoon. The strain of the campaign, even affecting in a smaller measure those clubs safely ensconced in the middle of the table, was over, and those teams fighting for admission to higher circles, or on the other hand, struggling to avoid a less enviable position, had finally settled their problems.

Huddersfield, champions for the third successive season of the First Division, lost to Notts County, but worried not at all. They had settled the destination of honours soon after the Easter struggles. The victory of Notts County failed to save them from a season of Second Division football, and they are accompanied to the lower division by Manchester City, the most amazingly inconsistent team in England. In the City's forty-two games, this season Roberts and Co. have scored eighty-nine goals, three less than Huddersfield, but the defence has been unrelenting and just one hundred goals have been scored against Goodchild. Burnley, whose defence has been penetrated 108 times, avoided the possibility of their stepping into Manchester City's shoes by a 4-1 victory over Cardiff.

THE SECOND DIVISION.

The promotion problem in the Second Division was settled a fortnight ago, the successful sides being The Wednesday with 60 points and Derby County with 57 points. Chelsea began the season like prospective champions but cracked up in the second half of the campaign and never recovered.

In the lower half of the table, Clapton and Fulham who found the early season going too strong for them, made a good recovery after some excellent Cup performances, and a fine win by the Orient over Middlesbrough at Middlesbrough, and the unexpected failure of Stoke to defeat Southampton, left Stoke and Stockport to change the region of their next season's competition. Stoke will probably go into the Third Division (South).

HIGHER CIRCLES.

The promoted clubs in the Third Division are Reading from the South, and Grimsby from the North. Throughout the season there has been strenuous competition in both sections, and in each case, the club which got best off the mark, cracked up early in the New Year and had to be content with the runners-up position defeated by one point. Plymouth went to Christmas with only one defeat, and Bradford had almost an equivalent record.

The winning clubs have been most consistent the season through, their principal merit, being found in their home records. Neither team has suffered defeat before its own supporters, and they are the only clubs in the country able to make such a claim.

The Grimsby record is as follows:

Home	21	20	0	0	41
Away	21	6	8	7	31
Reading's record is:					
Home	21	16	5	0	50
Away	21	7	6	8	27

At the other end of affairs, Queen's Park Rangers and Exeter City in the Southern Section, and Walsall and Barrow in the Northern Section will need to seek re-election.

HONGKONG'S LAST GAME.

The last game in the Hongkong Football League provided little of interest. There was nothing at stake, the championship, having already been decided, and the exhibition was typical of an end-of-the-season encounter. The Surrey defeated the Royal Artillery by two goals to nil without seriously exerting themselves, though at times it appeared that the R.A. might bring off a surprise. Three times in the first five minutes some member of their

RACE COURSE DITTIES.

(BY ELIZABETH PEPPY.)

To My Last Ten Dollar Bill.

What'll I do when you are far away,
and I am blue
What'll I do?
What'll I do when I am wondering who
is spending you
What'll I do?
What'll I do with just a lead pencil
to sign my chills, too cool
When I'm dead broke, and no funds
too,
Friends won't come through.
What'll I do?
Sweep for Two.
Picture us with wealth for keeps,
Just Sweeps for two and two for
Sweeps
Just cash for you and cash for me
alone.
Nobody near us to see us or hear us,
No friends or relations to spoil our
vacations.
We won't have it known dear, that
the prize is all our own.
Day will break, and we'll awake,
to find this dream was all a fake
For us to take such gold in leaps.
Wealth is only his who keeps
Lucky numbers on the Sweeps
We've only friends, we did not win
the Sweeps.
Betty's Wild.
Betty's wild, lost control.
Plumkin's wild, mighty fold.
Feelin' gay, reckless too,
Hope to win all the time, never blue
Always blowin', don't care where
Always showin' I don't care.
Don't save nothing, it's not worth
while.
Stony broke, rumkin wild.
"Yes, We Have No—"
Yes, we have no race winnings,
We have no race winnings to-day.
We have tickets in plenty,
You fifteen or twenty.
But us for the cold cash, we say.
Yes, we have no race winnings,
We have no race winnings to-day.

sides struck the cross-bar with powerful shots but subsequently the Surrey held them. The R.A. did in fact give an exhibition of how football should not be played, apart altogether from their kick and rush tactics. The Surrey first goal was scored by Exell, an R.A. back who netted in trying to prevent the ball reaching Humberstone.

Early in the second half, the right winger of the Artillery put in a hard centre which would have brought a goal, but for the fact that Wilson, the R.A. centre-forward, kicked the ball out from the goal-line. Humberstone got a good goal after an individual effort, when sent through by Mitchell.

The Surrey devoted their attention to "pretty footwork," and as an exhibition "there" was little with which to find fault.

THE POLICE BOXING.

Had the arrangements made for the Press at the Police Boxing Tournament on Saturday, allowed a suitable view of what was happening, a fuller account of the show might have been given. As it is the verdicts as announced can be given in detail:

Welterweight Final:—Warder Dedar defeated Warden Hagen on points after an extra round. In the semi-finals Dedar won over Sergt. Fell and Warden Hagen won from Warden Andrews.

Middleweight Final:—Sergt. Jessop defeated Sergt. Haywood on points.

Heavyweight Final:—Sergt. Collyer was awarded the decision in his bout with P. C. McGinly. McGinly objected to a decision of the referee and left the ring.

Lightweight Final:—Warder Lacey defeated Sergt. Mellett on points.

Light-heavyweight Final:—Sergt. Johnson beat Sergt. Spoor in the first round.

The special ten-rounds contest between A. B. Reynolds and Sergt. Mann produced a fast fight. Reynolds was given the decision.

C. P. O. Jim Cartledge and Ldg. Tel. Emmerson gave an exhibition bout.

At the conclusion of the fighting, and before making the presentation of prizes, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (C. S. P.) thanked all who had contributed to an excellent programme. They were especially indebted to C. P. O. Jim Cartledge and Tel. Emmerson. The C. S. P. also thanked all who had helped to make the tournament possible.

Mr. W. Logan and Mr. G. W. Tinson (referee) and Mr. B. R. Foster and Capt. Drake Brockman (judges) officiated.

HOME FOOTBALL.

FINAL STANDINGS OF THE CLUBS.

SATURDAY'S DECIDERS.

Division I.	
Arsenal	3
Bolton	0
Burnley	4
Leeds U.	4
Liverpool	2
Manchester U.	3
Newcastle	3
Notts City	2
West Ham	0
Huddersfield	42 23 11 8 92 60 57
Arsenal	42 22 8 12 87 63 52
Sunderland	42 21 6 15 96 80 48
Bury	42 20 7 15 85 77 47
Sheffield U.	42 19 8 15 102 82 46
Aston Villa	42 16 12 14 86 76 44
Liverpool	42 14 16 12 70 63 44
Bolton	42 17 10 15 75 76 44
Manch. Un.	42 19 6 17 66 73 44
Newcastle	42 16 10 16 84 75 42
Everton	42 12 18 12 72 70 42
Blackburn	42 15 11 16 91 80 41
West Brom.	42 16 8 18 79 78 40
Birmingham	42 16 8 18 66 81 40
Tottenham	42 15 9 18 66 79 39
Cardiff	42 16 7 19 61 76 39
Leicester	42 14 10 18 70 80 38
West Ham	42 15 7 20 63 75 37
Leeds U.	42 14 8 20 64 76 36
Burnley	42 13 10 19 85 108 36
Manch. City	42 12 11 19 89 100 35
Notts City	42 13 7 22 54 74 33

Division II.	
Fulham	2
Middlesbrough	1
Oldham	3
Portsmouth	4
Reading	2
Sheff. Wed.	2
St. Helens	5
Stockport	3
Stoke	1
Swansea	3
Wolves	1
Walsley	1
Durkington	1
Wednesday	42 27 6 9 88 46 60
Derby	42 25 7 10 77 42 57
Chelsea	42 19 14 9 76 49 52
Wolves	42 21 7 14 84 59 49
Swansea	42 19 11 12 77 49 48
Blackpool	42 17 11 14 76 69 45
Oldham	42 18 8 16 74 62 44
Port Vale	42 19 6 17 79 69 44
South S'ids	42 18 8 16 74 65 44
Middlesbrough	42 21 2 19 77 68 44
Portsmouth	42 17 10 15 79 74 44
Preston	42 18 7 17 71 84 43
Hull City	42 16 9 17 63 61 41
Southampton	42 15 8 19 63 63 38
Darlington	42 14 10 18 70 77 38
Barnsley	42 12 12 18 60 84 36
Notts For.	42 14 8 20 51 73 36
Bradford C.	42 13 10 19 47 66 36
Fulham	42 11 12 19 46 77 34
Clapton	42 12 9 21 50 65 33
Stoke	42 12 8 22 53 77 32
Stockport	42 8 9 25 51 97 25

Division III (South).	
Bournemouth	6
Bristol R.	3
Charlton	3
Exeter	3
Gillingham	2
Luton	2
Millwall	2
Merthyr	5
Newport	1
Queens Park	2
Reading	7
Swindon	1
Brighton	0
Reading	42 23 11 8 77 52 57
Plymouth	42 24 8 10 107 67 56
Millwall	42 21 11 10 73 39 53
Bristol City	42 21 9 12 72 39 53
Brighton	42 19 9 14 85 73 47
Swindon	42 20 6 16 63 64 46
Luton	42 18 7 17 70 76 43
Bournemouth	42 17 9 16 75 91 43
Aberdare	42 17 8 17 74 66 42
Southend	42 19 4 19 78 73 42
Gillingham	42 17 8 17 53 49 42
Norwich	42 17 8 18 82 40 41
Crystal P.	42 19 3 20 74 79 41
Merthyr	42 14 11 17 69 75 39
Walsford	42 15 9 18 73 89 39
Norwich	42 15 9 18 58 73 39
Newport	42 14 10 18 64 74 38
Brentford	42 16 6 20 69 74 38
Bristol R.	42 15 6 21 66 69 36
Charlton	42 11 14 17 47 66 36
Exeter	42 14 6 22 70 70 34
Q.P.R.	42 6 9 27 37 85 21

Division III (North).	
Accrington	4
Bradford	3
Chesterfield	6
Durham	3
Grimsby	3
Hull	0
Hartlepool	5
Reckdale	4
Rotherham	2
Tramere	4
Walsall	1
Barrow	0
Grimsby	42 26 9 7 91 41 61
Bradford	42 26 8 10 102 43 60
Reckdale	42 27 5 10 104 58 59
Chesterfield	42 25 5 12 100 54 55
Halifax	42 17 11 14 53 50 45
Hartlepool	42 18 8 16 82 73 44
Tramere	42 19 6 17 73 83 44
Nelson	42 16 11 15 89 71 43
Ashington	42 16 11 15 70 62 43
Doncaster	42 16 11 15 80 73 43
N.Brighton	42 17 8 17 70 69 42
Crews	42 17 9 16 63 61 43
Durham	42 18 6 18 63 70 42
Rotherham	42 17 7 18 69 92 41
Lincoln	42 17 5 20 66 82 39
Conventry	42 16 6 20 73 82 38
Wigan	42 13 11 18 68 72 37
Accrington	42 17 3 22 51 105 37
Wrexham	42 11 10 21 63 92 32
Southport	42 11 10 21 62 92 32
Walsall	42 10 6 26 58 107 26
Barrow	42 7 4 31 50 98 18

HOME SPORT.

DISORDER AT CUP FINAL.

London, April 24.

In contrast to the orderly behaviour of the spectators whose tickets gave them admission to the Cup final there was considerable disorder outside the ground. The Stadium authorities committed a big mistake in insisting that admission to the Wembley ground should be by ticket only. The result of this decision was that there was considerable profiteering in tickets, and while large numbers of ticketless enthusiasts were unable to gain admission there was plenty of unoccupied seating accommodation inside. Thus, there was only a comparatively small attendance, 91,447, in contrast to the attendance at the first memorable final at Wembley, when close upon 200,000 spectators saw Bolton defeat West Ham by two goals to nil. There were frequent skirmishes between partisans of the rival Lancashire clubs outside the ground and bottles were thrown. Many attempts were made to force admission and some succeeded, but attempts to rush the main gates failed.

So far as the play was concerned, while it lacked thrills, it was of first class quality, both sides playing with machine-like smoothness.

"QUINS" WIN SEVEN-A-SIDE RUGBY TOURNAMENT.

The first seven-a-side Rugby tournament in London was brought to a close by the match between the Harlequins and St. Mary's. Scoring 26 points in the twenty minutes game the "Quins" won by 26 points to 5. While a seven-a-side tournament has never before been played in London, in Scotland, where the game originated half a century ago, and the north of England it has provided considerable sums for charitable objects. The tournaments are run on the knock-out principle, the formation of the seven players being three forwards, a scrum half, two threequarters, and a full back.

LADIES' INTERNATIONAL GOLF MATCH.

The annual international golf match between lady representatives of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales was played on Friday and Saturday. England secured first place, followed by Scotland, Wales and Ireland.

Scotland secured the honours at the first match at Birkdale in 1909 and again at Westward Ho! in the following year; but at Portrush in 1911 England beat Ireland and Scotland, who defeated Ireland, Wales not taking part. Ever since the English ladies have held the supremacy, winning the seven matches played without encountering a single defeat. They had a very easy victory at Troon last May, defeating Scotland by 9 matches to 1, and Ireland and Wales by 9 matches to nil.

ARMY GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

The R.A.M.C. and the Grenadier Guards were the finalists in the Army Cup Team Championship, the Medical Corps team winning the title which was won last year by the Rifle Brigade. Lieutenant Gore, Rifle Brigade, was the winner of the singles championship, which Captain A. Gordon Barry, of the Manchester Regiment, won last year. This is the first time that the R.A.M.C. have won the team championship, an annual event started in 1905, but they were runners-up in 1921 to the Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

AMATEUR ATHLETICS.

London, May 1.

At Stamford Bridge in the Amateur Athletic long distance championships the ten miles run was won by E. Harper (Hullamshire), in 52m. 4 sec. He won by nearly a lap from P. Francis (Blackheath) with V. Vincent (Hamstead) third. The seven miles walk was won by G. Goodwin (Surrey) 53m. 55 sec., C. Coulson (Sheffield) 54m. 44 sec., second and W. Cowley (Surrey) 55m. 23 sec., third.

In the mile relay race the Achilles Club won in 3mins. 36 1/5 secs. They were represented by Lowe, Porritt, Rinkel and Butler.

London-Brighton Walk.

In the Stock Exchange London-Brighton walk the holder, S. Ayles won in 8 hours, 51 minutes and 24 2/5 seconds.—*Reuter*.

London, May 1.

At Leicester where the Australian test team were to appear to-day there was no play on account of rain.—*Reuter*.

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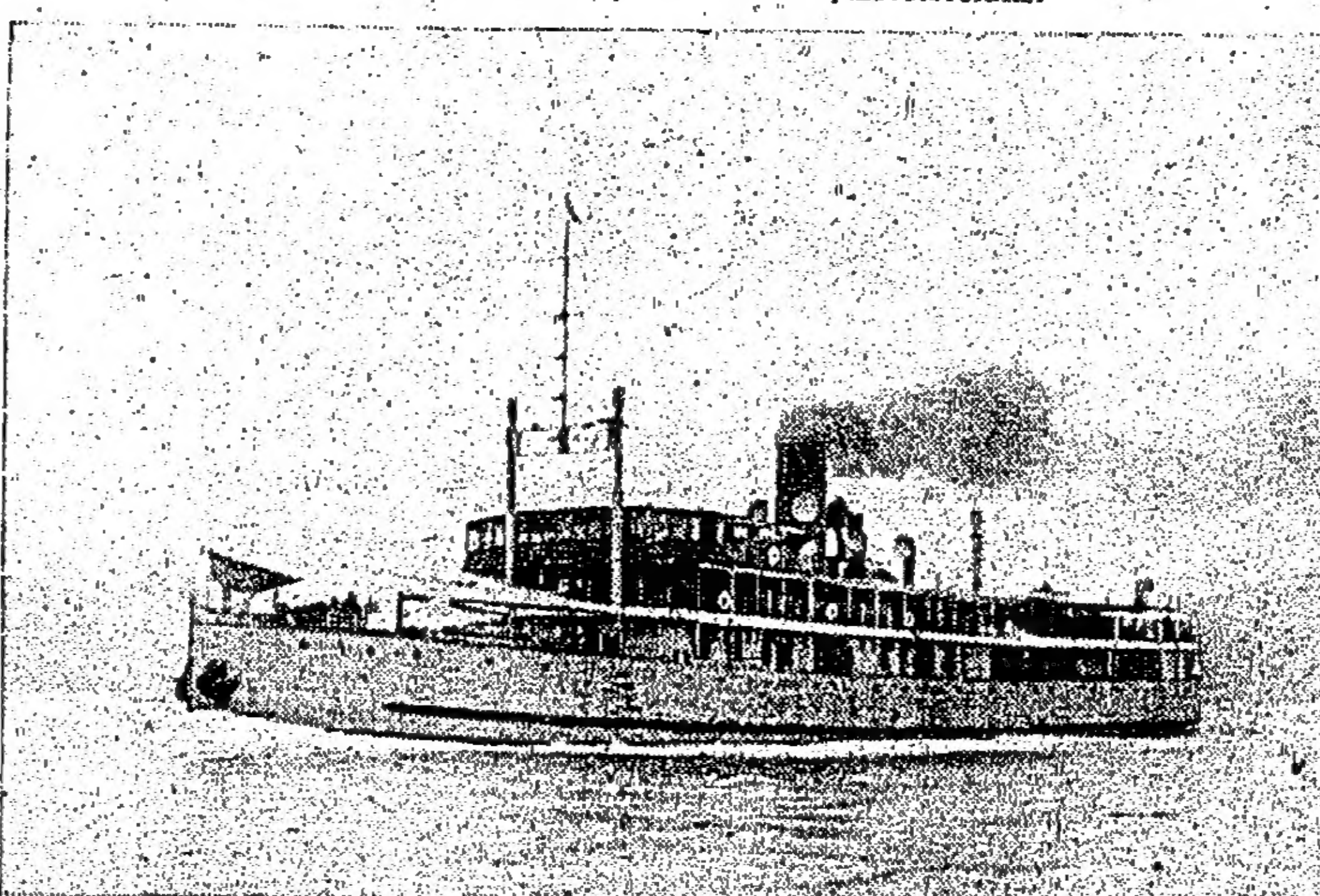
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FAKED DRUG BOTTLES.

FRENCHMAN CONVICTED ON HEROIN CHARGE.

The ingenious manner in which a quantity of heroin was concealed in bottles of precipitated chalk was described at the Central Magistracy on Saturday when a French commercial traveller named Joseph Torres was charged with being in possession of the drug.

It was stated that 215 one-ounce bottles were examined by the Imports and Exports Department and the total quantity of the drug covered by the analyst's certificate amounted to 3 1/4 ounces, valued at \$60. The bottles were labelled "Heroin Hydrochloride."

Mr. J. D. Lloyd said that in some bottles a wax "thimble" had been inserted, and this was only detected when the cork was removed. There was only one genuine bottle, and that was found in defendant's pocket. Mr. Lloyd said this bottle would be shown to a customer, and when the deal was decided, defendant would hand over the faked bottles.

Torres said the bottles were given him in Shanghai to take to Canton. He thought there was no harm in passing through Hongkong with the bottles.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell remarked that defendant had not only handled a poisonous drug, but he had attempted a swindle by having a small quantity of heroin and the rest of the bottle filled with starch. Defendant said he was merely engaged to carry the bottles and not to sell them.

Mr. Lloyd mentioned that he had reason to believe the man was concerned in a local arms case in 1923, and also that he was wanted by the police in Saigon. In the present case the value of the seizure was small, otherwise he would have asked for a committal.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$1,000, or six months hard labour in default.

RUSSO-GERMAN TREATY.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN AND LOCARNO SPIRIT.

Rugby, April 30.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, in the course of a speech made at the Albert Hall this afternoon, referred to the recently concluded treaty between Germany and the Soviet Republic of Russia. He said: "I am not prepared at the moment to express a considered judgment until I have studied the document very seriously. But I shall study it in the hope that I shall find that the German Ministers, who assured us that they would do nothing inconsistent with the achievements of Locarno, have kept their word. I shall read the document with the hope that I may find that its language is appropriate to the purposes which I believe the German Ministers sincerely entertain. They no less than we have need of peace and the British Government, whether in their case or others, have never sought to stir up trouble between other nations. They have never viewed with jealousy or attempted to prevent any possible improvements in the relations between other nations, and the fact that German statesmen have signed the treaty with the Soviet of Russia, subject to my examination of its terms, seems to me a perfectly natural thing to do. We have the right to insist that they should be loyal to their professed engagements, to the partners whom they met at Locarno and that on the eve of their entering into the League of Nations they shall not take any steps or incur any obligations inconsistent with the fulfilment of the Covenant and with the local membership of that body."

British Wireless.

WIRELESS PHOTOGRAPHS.

SENT FROM LONDON TO NEW YORK.

New York, May 1.

The first commercial photographs wirelessly across the Atlantic have been published. The *Herald-Tribune* published a photograph of a racehorse; the *Times* two groups of pilgrims; a dinner given in honour of Marquis Reading, and a life-like portrait of Mr. Stanley Baldwin. All are recognizable although they are slightly hazy.

Weathering the storm en route, the photographs were transmitted from London in one hundred and five minutes—*Reuters American Service*.

BOWLS.

YACHT CLUB BEAT CIVIL SERVICE.

The Civil Service Club were at home to the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club on Saturday on the occasion of the opening of their green.

The players picked for the Civil Service were chosen with an idea of picking out promising players for the Second team. At the conclusion of the game spoons were presented to the winners on the various rinks.

R.H.K.Y.C.	C.S.C.C.
Waters	Knight
Carpenter	Davies
Dixon	Gregory
Edwards (S.)	34 Sara (S.)
Jamie	Flegg
Shiner	Watt
Brayfield	Lamble
Shellshear (S.)	25 Maughan (S.)
Vaux	Westlake
Williamson	Harrison
Woon	Knott
Russell (S.)	26 Alderman (S.)

Result.—Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, 35; Civil Service Club 40.

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

Opening of Season.

Favoured with fine weather the Kowloon Bowling Green Club formally opened its season on Saturday afternoon with a sport game, President v. Vice-President, and a Mixed Doubles tennis tournament.

The bowls match resulted in an easy win for the Vice-President's team by 125 points to 85.

The scores were:-

President	Vice-President
Coleman	R. Goodman
McIntosh	Eagles
Gourlay	W. Macfarlane
Lapsley (skip)	19 Whitley (skip)
Dobbie	Ramsay
Branch	Rundell
Gibson (skip)	8 Guy (skip)
Hatt	Nish
Warren	Dixon
Holland	Hazel
J. Punccheon	MacLachlan
(skip)	(skip)
McKinnon	Watson
Cooper	Gillespie
Lindsay	Pyco
Green (skip)	21 Gow (skip)
J. H. Johnson	Cooke
Fraser	Hamilton
Stewart	F. Goodman
Watt (skip)	18 Clark (skip)
Total	85
Total	125

Tennis Tournament.

The tennis tournament on the American principle resulted as under:

Mr. Young and Mrs. Hedley	44
Mr. Linaker and Mrs. Davis	38
Mr. Ferguson and Mrs. Fraser	36
Mr. Evans and Mrs. Clark	25
Mr. McKelvie and Mrs. Brown	22
Mr. Brown and Mrs. McKelvie	8

At the close of a most enjoyable afternoon, spoons to the winning rinks were presented, when the President (Mr. J. S. McIntosh) alluded to the encouraging start made both in bowls and tennis. He looked forward to a successful season and was gratified to see a greater interest being taken in the tennis section. The bowls section, he had no doubt would acquit itself creditably in the ensuing season, whilst the New Pavilion upon which they were about to make a start, would undoubtedly make for the greater comfort of members generally.

The customary cheers brought the proceedings to a close.

INDEMNITY COMMISSION.

LORD WILLINGTON AT SHANGHAI ROTARY CLUB.

Lord Willington and the members of the British Boxer Indemnity Commission were guests of the Shanghai Rotary Club at tiffin the other day at the Astor House. In an apt and witty address Lord Willington said that the Boxer Indemnity Commission hoped to bring something of the spirit of the League of Nations and Locarno to the relations between China and Britain. He said that thus for the Commission was unanimous in its findings and that he hoped that it would continue to be so.

Dr. C. C. Wang, one of the Chinese members of the Commission, said that the Commission was working as a team seeking a single goal and that Lord Willington was its captain whom all the members had learned to love. They were proud to work with a man who was straightforward and honest and whose purposes were so fine. The Commission could not say much about its work, but he had never served on an international body where there was such harmony and goodwill. He compared the Commission to a Rotary Club and referred to it as a "Rotary in miniature."

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MALWA	10,941	29th May	Marseilles & London
MINZAPORE	6,715	3rd June	M'ses, L'don & Antwerp
KHYBER	9,114	12th June	M'ses, L'don & Antwerp
MANUVA	10,902	26th June	Marseilles & London
KANMALA	9,128	10th July	M'ses, London & Antwerp
RANPURA	16,585	24th July	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	7th Aug.	M'ses, London & Antwerp
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SHIRALA	7,841	4th May	Amoy, S'hai, M'ji & Kobe
NAGPORE	5,283	4th May	Shanghai, M'ji & Kobe
TANDA	6,958	8th May	M'ji, Kobe Osaka & Yoko.
MALWA	10,941	14th May	Shanghai, M'ji & Kobe
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REMINISCENCE.**ONCE UPON A TIME**

By A. G. Thornton, in the Daily Chronicle.

Long ago, when my seniors cast their net of reminiscence into the days of their youth, I used to listen with respect. "Let me see," the phrase would run, "that would be 40—no, 45 years ago, now. Forty-five year ago." And then the reminiscent one would look at me, and I would say, with profound humility, "Really," or "A long time ago, that." Whereupon the veteran, encouraged, would go back another ten years. In those days I talked of five years ago with a certain pride, and of ten with an air. A memory extending to 40 years seemed bordering on the historical. Life always takes us by surprise. Listening the other night, with my usual politeness, to a man who was recalling events of the 'nineties, life suddenly gave me a kick in the ribs. An astonishing fact was borne in upon me. I am not a man to use italics without just cause, but I reach for my italics now. Here is the fact:—

I can clearly remember the Diamond Jubilee. A lot of people I know will sneer at this as being hardly a reminiscence at all. They will talk of the real Jubilee as distinct from a mere modern, almost twentieth century upstart, but I am merely giving it as an indication I have now become definitely historical. I have more weight: I am able to sit upon youth with that calm importance and heavy dignity which ignores the squirming of the particular youth concerned, while it goes further and further back into the past.

The Retort Final.

When we chided our grandfathers on their lack of learning, our little shafts of irony glanced aimlessly off their grandpaternal armour of importance. All that grandad had to say was, "I don't know much about the constitution of the atom, my boy, but I remember in 1822 &c." It was unanswerable.

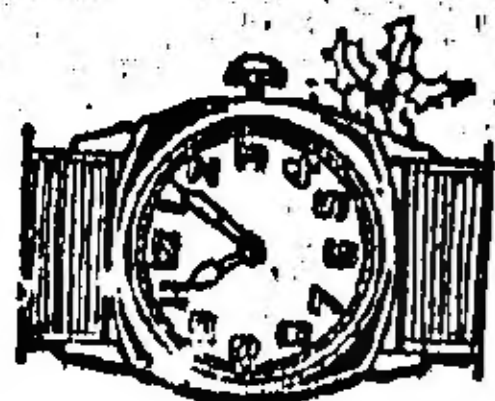
But I have my suspicions of grandad, now I am beginning to recollect a bit for myself. Reminiscence grows upon one so. The best reminiscence I know is an old man for whom I have the greatest admiration. His family are unkind to him in this matter, and he comes to me as one who understands all his ideas and memories. When I first knew him his strong suit was the 'sixties, but the 'sixties have become a little tame in recent months and he is now flirting with the 'fifties.

It is clear I must arrange my reminiscences a little. The time has come for retrospection. I must sort myself out a bit. At the moment, I confess, I am rather amateurish. I have not got very far away from the Diamond Jubilee. But confidence comes with practice. Next year I shall be on easy terms with the early 'nineties. The early 'nineties are as near to the 'eighties' as makes no difference, so why bother to talk about the Diamond Jubilee? Why, not just the Jubilee. Already I remember there was a song called "Oh, the Jubilee." I often sang it.

Getting up speed.

Things become clearer to me every minute. Was it not only a few years before 1897 that Gladstone fought his last General Election? I remember the electoral ladders in my father's room, with that sinister, aristocratic villain of the piece, Lord Salisbury, overhauling in snake-like fashion the handsome, heroic form of the G.O.M. A wonderful man, Gladstone, always too strong for Disraeli. Do you remember the Middlethian campaign? There was physical energy for you.

I remember ... yes, I remember the last great frost in this country my boy. Something like a frost that was. Frozen out for weeks. Water a penny a bucket from the street taps, hundreds died from cold, scores of funerals every week near us. I remember it, by Jove; frozen out for months; water six-pence a bucket at one time, hundreds died from cold near us every day; thousands of deaths all over London. Thames froze over, roasted an ox on the river at London Bridge in that year, my boy. I remember King George IV. drove down. Yes, I think it will go pretty well in time.



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Group taken at the wedding, at St. John's Cathedral, of Mr. Bernard Thorpe, of the Hongkong Police, and Miss Margaret F. Gerrard, daughter of Mr. W. G. Gerrard, Assistant Superintendent of Police, and Mrs. Gerrard. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

BASEBALL.

LAST WEEK'S U.S. A.
RESULTS.

New York, May 1.
Following are the results of
matches played in the baseball
leagues during the past week.
Played on Friday April 23.
National League.
New York 4; Boston 2.
Philadelphia 5; Brooklyn 3.
Cincinnati 4; Pittsburgh 3.
St. Louis 3; Chicago 2.
American League.
Washington 6; New York 8.
Boston 6; Philadelphia 1.
Chicago 0; Cleveland 2.
Detroit 5; St. Louis 4.
Played on Saturday April 24.
National League.
Brooklyn 2; New York 1.
Boston 7; Philadelphia 8.
Pittsburgh 3; St. Louis 9.
American League.
New York 9; Boston 1.
Philadelphia 4; Washington 1.
St. Louis 4; Chicago 7.
Cleveland 4; Detroit 3.

Played on Sunday.
National League.
Brooklyn 8; New York 6.
Cincinnati 4; St. Louis 0.
Chicago 4; Pittsburgh 3.
American League.
New York 7; Philadelphia 2.
St. Louis 11; Cleveland 5.
Detroit 2; Chicago 4.
Washington 6; Boston 8.
Played on Monday.
National League.
Philadelphia 6; New York 5.
Cincinnati 3; St. Louis 2.
Chicago 6; Pittsburgh 8.
American League.
St. Louis 1; Cleveland 12.
Detroit 1; Chicago 6.
Washington 6; Boston 2.
Played on Tuesday.
National League.
Philadelphia 8; New York 9.
Boston 6; Brooklyn 6.
Chicago 6; Pittsburgh 2.
American League.
New York 8; Philadelphia 2.
Washington 9; Boston 1.
St. Louis 3; Cleveland 5.
Detroit 8; Chicago 7.

Played on Wednesday.
National League.
Philadelphia 2; New York 5.
Boston 4; Brooklyn 5.
Cincinnati 3; St. Louis 5.
Chicago 4; Pittsburgh 9.
American League.
New York 3; Philadelphia 0.
St. Louis 3; Cleveland 7.
Detroit 5; Chicago 9.
Washington 5; Boston 2.
Played on Thursday.
National League.
Boston 4; New York 2.
Brooklyn 3; Philadelphia 1.
Pittsburgh 9; Cincinnati 16.
Chicago 6; St. Louis 5.
American League.
New York 8; Washington 5.
Philadelphia 4; Boston 0.
St. Louis 3; Detroit 2.
Cleveland 3; Chicago 7.
Played on Friday.
National League.
Boston 6; New York 4.
Brooklyn 3; Philadelphia 4.
Pittsburgh 13; Cincinnati 4.
Chicago 10; St. Louis 9.
American League.
New York 7; Washington 2.
Philadelphia 5; Boston 2.
Cleveland 2; Chicago 3.
St. Louis 6; Detroit 7.
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FUTURE DEVELOPMENT
PLANS.

The Benquet Consolidated Mining
Company, at a recent meeting of
its directors, has decided to suspend
temporarily the payment of its
regular quarterly dividends. New
operations to be undertaken by
the company make this action ad-
visable, says the Manila Bulletin.
The diamond drilling work at
Antamok, near Baguio, which was
begun in February has shown such
favorable results that the company
has definitely decided to sink a
shaft to this new ore body. New
pay ore has been cut in three
places, the first being 171 feet be-
low "G" level, it has been an-
nounced. A large amount of capi-

tal will be required to sink this
shaft, as new power machinery
and pumps will be needed to take
care of the large volume of water
which is expected to be encounter-
ed at that low level.
It has been learned also, that
the Benquet Consolidated has ob-
tained a lease on the Gomok Min-
ing Company claims and will begin
development operations there at
once. The Gomok property is
located a short distance from the
Antamok mine and may be a con-
tinuation of the bodies of ore that
have been mined by the Benquet
Company.
The contract to develop the
Gomok claims has already been
made, and if the exploration opera-
tions prove successful, the Benquet
Consolidated Company has an op-
tion to buy the property within two
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Mr. H. T. Fox, of Smith, Bell
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From	Per	Due
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	May 3.
Shanghai	Szechuen	May 3.
Shanghai	Tikarung	May 3.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Sanning	May 4.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Grant	May 7.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	May 7.
Manila	Pres. Taft	May 7.
Europe via Negapatam Letters only		
London 8th April	Eurybates	May 7.
Australia and Manila	Taijing	May 15.

OUTWARD MAILS.		
For	Per	Date.
Amoy	Anking	Tues, May 4, 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand	Parcels	Wed, 5 p.m.
via Thursday Island	St. Albans	Tues, May 4.
	Registration	8.45 a.m.
	Letters	9.30 a.m.
		(Due Thursday Island 17th May).
	Siberia Maru	Tues, May 4, 10.30 a.m.

Shanghai and Japan	Pres. Jefferson	Tues, May 4.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C.	Sanchia	Tues, May 4.
and S. America and Europe via	Parcels	10 a.m.
Victoria, B.C. and Europe via	Letters	11 a.m.
Siberia (letters and postcards	Parcels	Noon.
especially superscribed "via	Registration	2.45 p.m.
Siberia" only)	Letters	3.30 p.m.
		(Due Victoria, B.C. 23rd May).
Straits and Calcutta	Surat	Tues, May 4, 2.30 p.m.
	Manila	Tues, May 4, 5 p.m.
	Kwongsang	Tues, May 4, 5 p.m.
	Tean	Wed, May 5, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kotsu Maru	Wed, May 5, 8.30 a.m.
Haihow and Haiphong	Lee Sang	Wed, May 5, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Kwatsang	Wed, May 5, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E.		
and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe		
via Marseilles		

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Patrols	Wed., May 5, Registration .. 9.45 a.m. Letters .. 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 2nd June).
Haiphong	Tonkin	Wed., May 5, 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Lima	Wed., May 5, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Hainan	Wed., May 5, Noon.
Java via Batavia	Tikembang Thura, May 6, 10.30 a.m.	
Straits and Calcutta	Yuenang	Thurs., May 6, Parcels .. Noon. Letters .. 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Angers	Tues., May 11, Registration .. 1.45 p.m. Letters .. 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 12th June).

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Straits and Calcutta	Lalsang	Thurs, May 13.
	Parcels	Noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,		
E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe	Kashgar	Sat, May 15.
via Marseilles	Parcels	1.45 p.m.
	Registration	6.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
		(Due Marseilles 12th June)
Sandakan	Mausang	Sat, May 15, 10.30 a.m.

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